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An Admission by Tokyo That the Markets Count

Rescue Plan Shows Fear for Economy

By James Sterngold New York Times Service

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TOKYO — After spending most of the last two years denying that the financial system was headed for a crisis or that the powerful Japanesse economy could be harmed by tumbing stock and land prices, the government has launched possibly its biggest financial rescue operation since Warld War II.

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announced by Finance Minister Tsutoma Hata to stabilize the markets, shore up banks and calm the deep worries of small and large inves-

But the contents of the package and its urgent tone made it clear that the government had initiated an important change in policy at a time when most economists agree the economy

First, the announcement on Tuesday showed that, despite its continual show of bravado, the government feared plunging stock prices and a mounting burden of bad loans at banks had reached a point where they might trigger a panic among investurs.

Even now, many experts say, the risk of more turmoil is high. The Nikkei stock index reversed ground and gained 341.33 points on Wednes-

day, to 14,650.74. That still left prices at close to their lowest levels in six years, though, and financial analysts said would likely take more to restore badly shaken confidence than vague promises of government support.

Perhaps more important, the amouncement signaled the abandonment of the government's long-held position that the plummeting value of shares and real estate could not weaken what officials refer to as the "real" economy, the country's industrial base.

It has long been an article of faith among the Japanese establishment that the business of Japan was the business of producing things and selling them around the world, not playing money games.

But Mr. Hata seemed in acknowledge for the

first time Tuesday that what was really at stake now was the health of the economy, not specu-lators. He confirmed that banks, securities companies and other financial institutions were facing the most severe situation since the Second World War.

Indeed, corporate bankruptcies are at record levels, and banks are carrying tens of billions of dollars in bad loans and have had billions of dollars of their capital wiped out because of the

drop in stock prices.

Mr. Hata added that a "vicious cycle" was developing where some financial institutions See JAPAN, Page 2



Officers and relatives hearing a hard-line speech while mourning Marshal Sergei F. Akhromeyev, a coup figure who committed suicide.

President Banking on 'Values' Theme, and on a Friend He Needs

Bush's 'Family' Planning: Vague but Pivotal

By Thomas B. Edsall HOUSTON — With pocketbook issues working in the advantage of Bill Clinton and the Democratic Party, Republican strategists plan their own offensive on "family

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values," a catch-all phrase for a series of deeply polarizing sexual, cultural and racial conflicts arising from the changing role of women, the gay-rights movement, the deterioration of the nuclear family and the emergence of minoritypreference civil-rights policies.

A Republican planner uses the language of social science to distinguish between sharply different views.

"Our purpose is to define George Bush and the Republi-can Party as the proponent of fundamental social norms in terms of the family, in terms of sexual behavior and in terms of reward for work," he said. "Conversely, we intend in define Clinton and the Democrats as advocates of individual fulfillment, without regard to generally held ralues and beliefs."

The touchstones of the conflict will be gay rights, school choice, welfare policy and a sustained Republican drive to portray Barbara Bush as the epitome of grand-maternalism in contrast — sometimes explicit, sometimes implicit
— tn a Hillary Clinton depicted as the essence of hard-

These themes have already shaped Mr. Bush's campaign See BUSH, Page 3

Possible Baker Role: Economic Anchorman

By David E. Rosenbaum

New York Times Service HOUSTON — To try to rebuild his credibility on economic matters, George Bush and his speech-writing team have discussed a proposal to have the president promise Thursday night to keep James A. Baker 3d at the White House after the election to manage economic policy, administration officials said.

Mr. Baker, whose resignation as secretary of state and appointment as Mr. Bush's chief of staff and campaign coordinator becomes effective Sunday, is said to be resist-

ing the idea as both gimmicky and confining. But discussion of the proposal illustrates a fundamental tactical puzzle that the White House must solve by Thursday. It needs to come up with a bold step or convincing

promise of action that the president can make without reminding a national television audience that he is the man who broke the keystone pledge of his 1988 acceptance

speech; "Read my lips. No new taxes."

The speech writers' deliberations also underscore the importance the president and his team place on finding some means of invigorating the re-election campaign and breaking through his encrusted image as the passive guardian of the economic status quo.

The need for an economic plan was given even greater urgency Wednesday after the government announced that the pace at which builders broke ground for new homes shunped 2.8 percent in July. Combined with downward revisions for May and June, the skid meant the housing

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Kiosk

45 Dead as Tour Bus Crashes in Spain

TORREBLANCA, Spain (Reuters) A total of 45 people were killed and 7 injured on Wednesday when a bus traveling from Barcelona to Seville wem off the

road and crashed, local officials said. The bus swerved off the road on a curve, turned over in the air and landed upside down, crushing passengers inside, the officials said. The passengers were going in Seville to visit Expo '92.

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At EC, Iraq said the allies' Shiite shield was a pretext for affack. Page 2. Experts predicted a wave of conflicts as peoples seek their identity. A video recording complicated the Woody Allen-Mia Farrow conflict.

Business/Finance A surge in U.S. exports helped trim the trade deficit in June. BHP of Australia is paying more than \$1 billion for assets of Foster's. Page 13.

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Remember the 1980s? Takeovers Make a Comeback

By Brett D. Fromson

Washington Post Service NEW YORK — For the first time in several years, mergers and acquisitions are on the in-crease worldwide, according to recent statistics and in investment bankers.

While merger and acquisition activity in the Unuted States remains far below its 1988 peak, investment bankers, who see deals well before they are announced to the public, say the take-over game is in the early stages of a global

This is just the tip of the iceberg, "said John Zacamy, head of mergers and acquisitions at Bankers Trust Co. He said the Gulf War, followed by tight bank credit, had restricted mergers and acquisitions at the more liquid stock markets there. The restructuring is being driven not only by Europe-border mergers was \$21.5 billion in the first six months, up 43 percent from the same period a owners of many medium-sixed companies. er activity for two years, and "you are now seeing a breakup of the logjam."

"We are spending more of our time over-seas," said Mike Overlock, head of mergers and acquisitions at Goldman Sachs & Co.

have to think of M&A on n global basis because competition is worldwide."

Mr. Overlock said the field of corporate

founded just after World War II are ready to retire and sell out, he said.

The number and value of acquisitions of companies in Europe increased in the first half of the year from the same period last year, according to IDD Information Services Inc. which compiles data about Wall Street. And a

Of the 10 largest deals announced so far this year. five took place outside the United States, according to Securities Data Co. That includes the largest, a \$5.5 billion bid for Midland Bank PLC in Britain by HSBC Holdings PLC, parent

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Yeltsin Vows To Go Ahead On Sweeping Privatization

All 150 Million Citizens To Receive Vouchers To Buy State Property

By Michael Dobbs

Washington Part Service

MOSCOW — President Boris N. Yelisin marked the first anniversary of a failed Communist coup on Wednesday by promising to push ahead with free-market policies and transform Russia into a land of private-property.

In an address broadcast nationwide, Mr. Yelusin unveiled what, on paper at least, is the most ambitious privatization program to be undertaken anywhere in the world. He said that all 150 million citizens of Russia would receive a voucher worth approximately four months; average salary by Oct. 1 allowing them in participate in the most sale of state-gamed assets. ticipate in the mass sale of state-owned assets.

"We need millions of property owners, and not just a handful of millionaires," said Mr. Yeltsin, 61. "These vouchers are a ticket to the free-market economy. The more owners and entrepreneurs we have — people for whom actions mean more than words — the sooner we

will have prosperity in Russia." The announcement of the mass privatization plan was clearly designed to give a new momentum to Russia's flagging economic reform program and dispel a sense of pessimism among Russians.

Public-opinion polls suggest that Mr. Yelt-sin's popularity has dwindled since the euphor-ic days of last August when he stood on an armored vehicle outside the government building to rally resistance to the coup by a group of munist hard-liners.

As Mr. Yeltsin addressed the nation on tele-vision, thousands of demonstrators held a mass rally outside the Russian parliament, known as the White House, to commemorate the failure

Former President Mikhail S. Gorbachev who was detained by coup leaders at his Black Sea vacation home, put flowers on the graves of three young Moscovites who were killed resisting the advance of troops on the White House. "I am sorry they died, but I do not think they died in vain," said Mr. Gorbachev, whose own

authority was fatally weakened by the coup. He was forced to resign as president in December after the liquidation of the Soviet Union: In the last few months, Mr. Gorbachev has joined the chorus of criticism of the Yeltsin

government for freeing prices and relaxing government controls over the economy. He said at a news conference this week that

the disintegration of the Soviet Union into 15 independent states had added to the hardships now being faced by Russians, breaking lnng In his address. Mr. Yeltsin vigorously de-

fended the government's actions, even though he did not directly endorse the team of young economic reformers led by Acting Prime Minister Yegor T. Gaidar.

There has been growing speculation that Mr. Gaidar, who is widely regarded in the West as

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Graceful Mostar Left in Rubble by Serbs

By Stephen Kinzer

MOSTAR, Bosnia-Herzegovina - The ruins of the dream of a peaceful future for Balkan republics are nowhere more visible than in the rubble of this ancient town.

Serbs have blown up six of the seven bridges, burned hundreds of homes and businesses and wrecked both the principal religious centers — a modern Roman Catholic cathedral and a stately 15th-century mosque.

From nearby hills, Serbs are still shelling Mostar, but there is little property left to de-

stroy. Streets once lined with tour bases are now littered with the debris of war. A commumty that was once thought to symbolize friend-ship among Serbs, Croats and Muslims is gone, a victim of the bitter ethnie hatreds fueling this Probably no large town in Bosnia-Herzegovi-

na has suffered as much damage as Mostar. In the other former Yugoslav republics, only Vn-kovar in northern Croatia has been so thor-

"I was shocked to get here, because in my mind I had only pictures of Sarajevo," said Rupert Neudeck, chairman of the German medical relief organization Cap Anamur. "I was not aware of the fact that the destruction in this town may be even greater than Sarajevo."

For centuries, the three major ethnic groups that populate this corner of Europe lived to-gether in Mostar. Croats were concentrated in modern neighborhoods on the eastern side of the Neretva River, while Serbs and Muslims lived amid historie monuments on the opposite

Tourists who converged here by the thousands each summer came mainly to view the Muslim quarter, the imposing mosque that stood at its center and a graceful stone bridge built during Turkish rule, featured in many tourist photographs.

Narrow cobblestone streets wound past cafes overlocking the river where visitors could sip strong Turkish coffee.

Mostar was not one of the first places that collapsed into fratricidal violence when the former Yugoslavia began flying apart last year. But when the fighting began here in April, it

Serbian irregulars, armed with heavy weapons left to them by the Yugoslav Army as it withdrew, named first on their Muslim neighbors, seeking in make them flee as part of the

"ethnic cleansing" that Serbs are pursuing throughout Bosma-Herzegovina. After chasing out the lightly armed Muslims,

Scrbs began shelling the Croats across the river. The Croats quickly organized themselves, and with reinforcements and weapons from Zagreb, the Croatian capital, they held off the attack and ultimately turned the tide of battle. Serbs were dislodged from their positions in

mid-June and retreated to the surrounding hills. Before leaving, they planted heavy explo-sives under six of the town's seven bridges and detonated them by remote control. Only after their retreat did it become clear

how fully they had destroyed the nid Muslim quarter. Almost every building was burned, blown up or otherwise wrecked. The first Mus-ims who returned were so enraged that they marched to a Serbian Orthodox Church, smashed its walls and set it ablaze.

Mostar is in southeastern Bosnia, only 50 kilometers (30 miles) from the Dalmatian Coast, which is under Croatia Before the fighting, it was home to 125,000 people—a third of them Croats and another third Muslims. Serbs were a minority of one-lifth.

Three armies now defend the town, each

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China's Last Eunuch Quietly Lives Out a Sad Career

By Valerie Strauss Washington Post Service

BEIJING - Once a victim of the whims and intrigues of a cruel emperor, 91-year-old Sun Yaoting is peacefully living out his final years in an old Buddhist temple, under the protection of the Communist government, which says he is China's last surviving eunuch.

Driven to his fate by his improverished family's thirst for riches, Mr. Sun recalled a life marked he fear and pain during his eight years within the red walls of the Forbidden City and thereafter, when he was forced into a society that scorned eunuchs.

"It was a bitter fife in the Ching Dynasty." be said, his dark eyes filling with tears. "And when we left, it was difficult for a cunuch to get a job.

Nobody wanted us." He spoke in a sunny room of the temple, where city authorities who have cared for the remaining eurochs for decades confirmed that he was the last.

"He is the only one," said Nan Chanqqi, secretary-general of the Beijing Association of

Religion. "That is why he is under such great

With almond-brown skin, a graying crew cut, and a large single tooth protrading onto his lower lip. Mr. Sun also reminisced with humor - but an rancor - about a life that has witnessed some of the century's most dramatic

He learned when he was 10 that he would enter the feudal ennuch servant class - which had served emperors since the Han Dynasty (206 B.C.-A.D. 220) — and underwent a painful castration by his father. Because some eunuchs became wealthy, many peasant families sought appointments for their sons, and Mr. Sun was considered fortunate to be accepted.

"I wasn't angry at my father. We were so poor." Mr. San said, although he was too young in understand the effect the procedure would have on his life and thought he was being punished. He could not walk for two months afterward.

The concept was devised by rulers who wanted men to attend them and maintain the goverument but would tolerate no source of rivalry,

To accomplish both and to protect their concu-bines, emperors saw to it that they were the only said. fally functioning males in the court by requiring nearly all nthers to be emasculated

Eunuchs attained their greatest power during the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644), when there were as many as 100,000 in court. Some became wealthy and powerful, handling the emperor's finances and even raising armies. One sunuch was said to have amassed 60 storerooms of

silver and gold. Mr. Sun entered the Forbidden City - the vast imperial court in the heart of Beijing - in 1916. Five years earlier, the Ching Dynasty had fallen and a new republic had been declared, but authorities allowed the emperor, considered the son of beaven, to maintain a symbolic role and his lifestyle.

So as China rushed toward anarchy, the cunuchs continued their time-honored traditions: serving young Emperor Pu Yi whenever he was hungry, tying his shoes, carrying him in huge chairs, feeding his animals, emptying his chamber pot, guarding, and aften stealing, his treasures. The ennuchs were forced to perform

"The eunuchs would do anything the emperor or empress asked," he said. "If they didn't do a good job, they would be beaten."

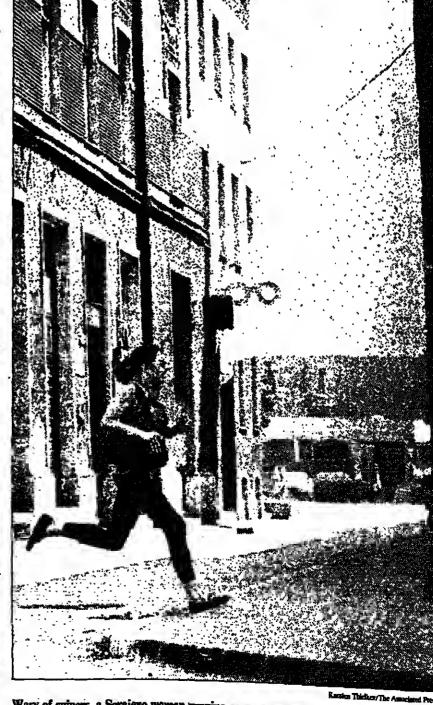
Pu Yi had a cruel streak; he wrote in his memoirs in the early 1960s that he had his curuchs flogged often just so he could watch, and had forced one to eat dirt. "He had a very unsteady temper," Mr. Sun

Mr. Sun initially performed cleaning chores in the Forbidden City and attended the chief eunuch, learning the rituals of his trade. "It was a hard job, and everyone looked

His fortunes changed when Pu Yi married in 1922, bringing Empress Wan Rong to court. Because Mr. Sun had some education and was clever and young, he was selected to be one of a dozen eunuclis who attended the temperamen-

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down upon me," he said.



Wary of suipers, a Sarajevo woman running across a street screened by bedsheets.

Iraqi at EC Says Shiite Shield Is Pretext for Attack by Allies

LONDON — The Iraqi representative at the European Community asserted Wednesday that the plan of Gulf War allies to set up an air-exclusion zone in southern Iraq would be used as a pretext for an attack against his country.

This is no more than a provocation action, to be used as a pretext for military action against Iraq," the representative, Zaid Haidar, said in a television interview with

The White House said Wednesday there was no final agreement on the plan, "The final collective decision has yet to be put together," said the White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater. He added that "a lot of details have yet to be worked out."

Britain said Wednesday that the Gulf allies would impose a "oo-fly zone" to stop raids on Shiite Muslims living in Iraq's southern marshes. It warned that Iraqi warplanes entering the zone would be shot down.

"We are not afraid of this." Mr. Haidar said.

He said he could not say what Iraq's response would be, but he asserted that President George Bush was playing "the Iraqi card" for political reasons.

"I suggest he will lose," he said. The traqi diplomat said the allies had a total of 200 planes in the

"We are not afraid of this," he said, adding that Iraq faced 2,500 sorties a day during the Gulf War. "And we are still progressing and rebuilding and making a very civi-lized response to the destruction made by the allies," he said.

Asked about reports of atrocities by the Iraqi Army against the Shi-ites, he said: "It is not attacking the Shiites. These are people from a different religion, but the biggest part of them, they come from

The marshlaods of southern Iraq, where many Shiites have fled since the failure of a rebellion against President Saddam Hussein

after the Gulf War, border Iran. Mr. Haidar said the allies had sought a pretext to take military action after failing to provoke Raghdad over inspection of military installations under the Gulf War cease-fire agreements.

"One day before they were trying erful Arab countries, primarily to provoke by the problem of these Egypt and Syria, have loodly with this," he went on, "then they begin with this problem."
"They are looking for a provoca-

tive action to give them a pretext for a military action," he said, "and this is to boost the re-election of Bush. You are very close allies, and you want to help Mr. Bush to be reelected."

■ A Muted Arab Response Youssef M. Ibrahim of The New

York Times reported from Cairo: The Arab world's official reaction to the possibility of an attack against Iraq by the United States, Britain and France was muted. But editorial writers in govern-

ment-owned media and the inde-pendent press in much of the region signaled a growing conviction that a plan backed by Saudi Arabia and Kuwait is under way to partition Iraq into Kurdish, Muslim Shiite and Muslim Sunni entides.

Over the last few weeks, Saudi Arabia's and Kuwait's clear support of such a development has become more obvious even as pow-

international inspections," he said. voiced their strongest opposition, When they did not reach something warning that splitting Iraq could result in chaos in the region and growing Iranian influence.

The United States, Britian and France, which are the three major Western powers poised to attack Iraq, have not openly said they would favor such a partition.

A oumber of commentators in the Arab press noted that encouraging Iran to expand its influence in the south of Iraq could backfire on Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. which have large number of Shiites, many of whom are presumably sympathetic to the Tehran regime and hostile to their own govern-

"The presence of a strong united Iraq is - even from the narrow perspective of Arab oil-rich conservative regimes — a guarantee of their own existence because the Islamic militant Shiite or Sunni currents will take on more dangerous dimensions with the collapse of Iraq and its partition," Abdelkhalek Farouk commented io the Egyptian daily Al Wafd.



United Nations arms inspectors trundle their inggage out of a Baghdad hotel.

2 New British Military Commitments Questioned

By William E. Schmidt

New York Times Service LONDON - The day after the government abruptly committed British military-forces to duty in two of the world's most dangerous places, some second thoughts were being raised about the perils of Britain's

new foreign entanglements. Opposition members in Parliament demanded Wednesday to know what it was, exactly, that Prime Minister John Major had learned during a six-hour emergency cabinet session Tuesday that had convinced him of the oeed to act with such dispatch.

Mr. Major, who interrupted a vacation in Spain to return to London for the day, came out of the meeting with twin declarations.

First, he was sending British aircraft to take part in a plan by the Gulf War allies to intercept Iraqi planes venturing into a exclusion zone io the country's south, where Shiite Muslims have been under attack from President Saddam Hussein's air force.

At the same time, in what amounted to a reversal of British policy, he said he was offering 1,800 ground troops to help escort

With Mr. Major on his way back to join his wife and family on vacation, the govern-ment simply struck the same themes as Tuesday: that Britain had decided to act because evolving circumstances in both Iraq and the

former Yugoslavia had left it no alternative. But George Foulkes, the defense spokes- of its Arab allies in the Gulfman for the opposition Labor Party, urged That is extremely important that the prime minister reconvene Parliament, which is oow on summer recess, and explain why the government had acted as it

"The House of Commons must be given answers to the many questions which took up over six hours of the cabinet yesterday,"

Although the Labor Party said it would give general support to the government's action in Iraq, because it was in line with existing UN resolutions, some voices were raised in objection.

"What do we do when the first Tornado is either shot down or crashes through a techni-

United Nations convoys carrying food and cal failure, and British pilots fall into Iraqi medicine into the embattled republic of Boshands and are paraded through the streets of Baghdad?" asked Tam Dalyell, a Labor leftwinger, in an open letter to Mr. Hurd. "Full-scale land operation? More bombing?"

Paddy Ashdown, the leader of the Liberal Democrats, Britain's third largest political party, also expressed some reservations, wondering whether Britain had the support

"That is extremely important," he said. A spokesman at the Foreign Office said that talks were still under way with Britain's affies and that no decision had been made about when allied aircraft would begin to enforce the exclusion zone.

At the same time, fresh doubts were being raised about the planned international peace conference in Loodon next week on the conflict in the former Yugoslavia, amid growing volved in fighting, if the United Nations signs that the Serbs did not intend to partici-

the European Community and the five per- fighting.

curity Council

In an editorial today, The Times of London broke ranks with the government and warned that the peace conference, on which Mr. Major and Britain are staking considerable prestige, "threatens to become an ex-pensive fiasco."

Asked about prospects for the peace con-ference, Foreign Minister Douglas Hurd said that no one should expect that by the end of the month, "everyone will be throwing their caps in the air and saying there's peace in Yugoslavia."

Rather, he described the conference as one step in a continuing program, including getting the international community to put contimping pressure on Serbia.

signs that the Serbs did not intend to participate.

Under Mr. Major's intelage, the conference is intended to bring together the warring factions, as well as the 12 members of Britain would not be drawn into serious

JAPAN:

Fear for Economy

He only went so far as to concede

that "there has been much debate"

and the way it demonstrated the lengths to which the government

was willing to go to rescue the mar-kets spoke for themselves. It was a

shift in artitode that was echoed

"I still think that the direct im-

oact of the financial situation on

the real economy is limited," said

Yoshihisa Kitai, the senior econo-

widely on Wednesday.

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> Just a year ago, the Economic Planning Agency argued streno-ously in its annual report that land prices, which have been falling in tandem with stocks and have taken a particularly heavy toll on banks, could not possibly undercut an economy that was "shifting to

cruising speed." But now the economy has cooled to a growth rate of less than 2 percent, from 4.5 percent last year, North America and some of the strongest measures in the emergency package are aimed at relieving banks of the burden of bad real estate loans.

A senior Finance Ministry official confirmed Wednesday that a number of complex measures were

number of complex measures were being considered to purchase from banks their bad real estate loans or the real estate they had accepted as

nancial institutions not to sell Middle East shares from their portfolios prior to the end of the first half of the fiscal year, on Sept. 30. It has no formal power to force them not to sell. year, on Sept. 30. It has no formal power to force them not to sell. In addition, he offered to let fi- Occania nancial institutions skip disclosing account the extent of their losses from the subset

WORLD BRIEFS

Paris Bars Japanese Crime Figure

PARIS (Reuters) — A Japanese underworld boss was turned back at o Paris airport Wednesday when be arrived to seek hospital treatment.

airport sources said. They said the police barred Masaru Takumi, 56, deputy head of Japan's largest crime syndicate, the Yamaguchi-gumi, when his Japan Air Lines flight landed at Charles de Gaulle Airport. The Interior Ministry said earlier that it had told the arrive through the French Embassy in Tokyo that Mr. Takumi would not be allowed in.

Mr. Takumi, suffering from diabetes and a liver ailment, was arrested on July 30 and charged with sending the equivalent of \$336,130 overseas to buy land in violation of the law. He was admitted to hospital early this month after his condition worsened. A district court gave him permission to be out of the country until Aug. 30 for medical reasons.

ANC Says an Informant Was Slain

JOHANNESBURG (Reuters) - The African National Congress said Wednesday that a white informant on the 1985 murders of three prominent activists had been assassinated.

It said the man, Andre Massdorp de Villiers, a farmer in the southeast-ern town of Addo who offered information about an alleged death squad, died in a hail of bullets ib Monday night. Mr. de Villiers had told the ANC about the squad's possible involvement in the killings of Mathew Goniwe, Fort Calata and Sparrow Mkonto, known regional activists. When the ANC made a public appeal for information relating to the deaths, "Mr. de Villiers was one of those brave compatriots who came forward and volunteered to speak," said a congress spokesmao.

Rebels Try Ground Attacks in Kabul

ISLAMABAD (Reuters) - Dissidents in the Afghanistan rebel movement launched ground attacks Wednesday in their two-week battle to Kabul from the Islamic coalition government, rebel sources said here. Previously, the head of the fundamentalist Islamic Party, Gulbuddin Hekmatyar, relied mainly on rockets and artillery in his battle with government forces. More than 1,000 people have been killed or wounded and tens of thousands have fied since the rocket attacks began two weeks

Street battles raged between Islamic Party guerrillas and loyalist troops • defending positions around the ancient fort of Bala Hisar, the sources said by telephone from the Pakistani border town of Peshawar.

China to Let Leading Dissident Leave

BELIING (NYT) — Chinese authorities have issued travel documents that would allow a prominent Tiananmen Square labor activist, force-fed and torqued during nearly two years in jail until he got tuberculosis, to go to the United States for medical treatment.

The dissident, Han Dongfang, a former railway worker, received his passport earlier this week, a close friend said Wednesday, and is said to be planning to leave China by the end of this month.

Nine months ago, Chinese leaders promised Secretary of State James. Baker 3d that dissidents could leave China. The delay in permitting Mr. Han to leave was partly a result of disagreements among several

Black Sea Area Vows 'Guerrilla War'

MOSCOW (AFP) - Nationalists driven out of Sukhumi, the capital of the breakaway region of Abkhazia, by Georgian troops said Wednesday they would resist the invaders with a "guerrilla war," the press agency Itar-Tass reported. Georgia set up a provisional government in Sukhum on Tuesday A nationalist in the Abkhazian parliament, Zurab Achba, warned:

We will wage war until we have freedom or until they destroy us all," the agency reported. "Abkhazia will resist the Georgian occupation." The defense minister of Georgia, Tenguiz Kitovany, said Georgian troops controlled virtually all of Abkhazia except Gudauta, a town on the

Indian-Pakistani Chemical Arms Ban

Black Sea coast 45 kilometers (28 miles) from Sukhumi.

NEW DELHI (AFP) - India and Pakistan signed agreements Wednesday prohibiting the use of chemical weapons and setting out a code of conduct on the treatment of diplomats, but they left the thorny The two countries also exchanged insuruments of ratification on an.

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yers being forced to sall shares to
raise cash and bolster their profits, agreement providing for giving advance notice of military exercises, manuscress and troop movements and permitting overflights and landings which was only worsening their problems by causing the stock mar-ket to slump further.

India, which has fought two of its three wars with Pakistan over Kashaar; recurses Islamabad of fomenting Muslim secessionism in the

TRAVEL UPDATE

about the prospect that the faltering banking system and alling mer-Israel has warned its citizens to stay out of the Indian state of Jamin kets might weaken the overall econarabsis in Kashmir have reportedly threatened to abduct travelers from Israel. But the urgency of the package

(Reuters) Alarmed at attacks on visitors to its game preserves, Kenya on Wednesday created a police unit to deal with the threat and to curb tourist revenue losses. Britain and the United States are among the nations advising their citizens use caution while traveling in Kenya. (Reuters)

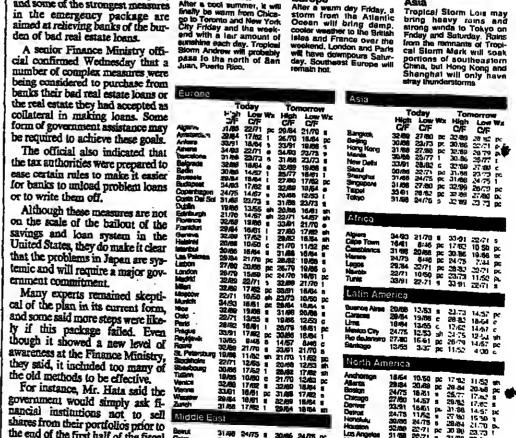
KIM Royal Dutch Airlines said Wednesday that the Netherlands and Japan had agreed on an expansion of landing rights in Amsterdam and Osaka, including the possibility of Japan Air Lines' setting up a traffic hub in the Dutch capital. KIM said it could increase its weekly passenger flights from 5 to 12 by 1995; JAL's weekly increase would be from 3 flights to 10 mith passengers being able to change plant for other flights to 10, with passengers being able to change planes for other

Yoshihisa Kitai, the senior economists at Long-Term Credit Bank.

"I agree with the former stance of the Finance Ministry on this buying special low-fare tickets to its five European destinations buying special low-fare tickets to its five European destinations London, Paris, Frankfurt, Amsterdam and Glasgow, The original expirations date had been Sept. 4.

(NYT)





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Deal With Issues or Deal Me in, Perot Says

WASHINGTON — Ross Perot said Wednesday he would consider re-entering the presidential race if both President George Bush and Bill Clinton refused to engage "the real issues that concern the American people." In that case, he said in an NBC interview, "I wouldn't have a choice." If he stayed out, he said, his supporters

would be the "swing vote," deciding the election.

The Texas billionaire said it was possible that his organization would endorse one of the candidates. Though he didn't say so, Mr. Perot gave strong indications that he preferred Mr. Clinton, the Democratic candidate. Stating that the economy was the most serious problem facing the country, Mr. Perot said, "The Democrats have what I call a weak plan. The Republicans don't have a plan."

Of reports that Mr. Bush may propose a tax cut, Mr. Perot said such a move would be "counterproductive." He said that "a tax cut at this time is like an aspirin for cancer," Mr. Perot bitterly criticized the Republicans for using "taxpayer money" to "re-cover the Astro-dome with carpet and build a \$4 or \$5 million podium so you look good when you're up there speaking." He said it showed they were "out of touch" with reality.

(IHT)

in Television's Script, a Scene of Disarray

HOUSTON - Watching the Republican National Convention is a split-screen experience. It is like a concert for two orchestras whose conductors are not on speaking terms. From the official side come easy-listening tunes scored for strings and trumpets. From the network side comes a dissonant threnody.

Whichever channel viewers turn to, except perhaps C-Span, which sticks more to the podium proceedings, they learn of dissension and dismay in Republican ranks.

No anchor neglects to mention the polls that show Mr. Bush far behind, the continuing national distress over the economy, the party's disarray.

Dan Rather opened the CBS coverage with the announcement that "Republicans want to paper over differences." Mark Shields, the PBS commentator, said, "This is n pessimistic crowd." On CNN, William Schneider delivered an essay on "a Republican coalition that is about to collapse," and on ABC, David Brinkley asserted that even Ronald Reagan does not much like Mr. Bush. (NYT)

Michel Burns the House, and He Should Know

HOUSTON - A politician rarely does what he wants, but mostly he does what he must. The House Republican leader, Robert H. Michel of Illinois, 59, has served in the House for 32 years. The Democrats have controlled the House for every one of them. Mr. Michel, an affable man, always got along with them, and was always known as someone who took pride in the institution he has made his

But in a convention where criticizing Congress has become an obligatory part of the oratory, Mr. Michel did the necessary Tuesday night, and smilingly trashed his home. Denouncing what "38 years of misrule have done to an institution," Mr. Michel called Congress "a bloated bureaucracy," that could not "even run n branch Post Office." He went on about the disgrace of the House and, for his troubles, won modest applause and a few cheers. (NYT)

Fleeting Fame for a Former Chief of Staff

HOUSTON - How Soon They Forget: John H. Sonunn was walking around the convention floor, trailed by reporters and an occasional autograph-seeker, Eventually, he sat down for an interview. "Who is that?" a woman delegate asked a reporter. It was Mr. Summe, the reporter replied. "Who is he?" the woman responded. Mr. Summu was chief of staff during George Bush's first three years as president, the reporter said. "Oh," she said. "I'm a little tired." And then she wandered off. (LAT)

Quote-Unquote

Vice President Dan Quayle, asked if there was any hope the economy would improve: "By November? I wish I could, you know, tell you 'yes." I have been anticipating, and I was led to believe by a number of so-called experts, that this economy would be far more robust and far more energized than it is right now. So I've given up on the experts and I'm going basically by instincts."

(IHT)

Away From the Hustings

• In a case that raised First Amendment issues, n federal appeals court upheld a fuling that Soldier of Fortu the contract murder of an Atlanta man whose killers had been hired through a classified advertisement in the magazine.

· Orange County, California, has had a 189 percent increase in aseptic meningitis cases this summer compared with 1992, health officials said

• A luman-rights organization has accused Miami's most powerful Cuban-American political and business leaders of creating a climate of political repression and intellectual intolerance like that in some Latin American regimes.

 Virginia granted Mickey Wayne Davidson, a condemned killer, n stay two days before his scheduled execution for beating his wife and stepdaughters to death with a crowbar.

· State workers filed a lawsuit aimed at forcing California to give them real paychecks instead of 10Us, and the legislature again delayed voting on two rival spending plans as the state's budget stalemate ground into its 49th day.

 An experimental vaccine against the common liver disease hepatitis proved nearly 100 percent effective in a study of more than 1,000 children, researchers said in the New England Journal of Medicine. • A suspect has been arrested in Tulsa, Oklahoma, in the murder of four employees of a fried chicken restaurant who were found shot in the head inside a walk-in freezer.

• The federal government seized a \$50 million desert resort near Palm Springs, California, owned by the golf tycoon Ken Mizuno, who was arrested in Japan's biggest tax fraud case.

· Mount Sport, in Alaska, has erunted for the second time this summer, spewing ash more than 11 miles (17 kilometers) into the air

and forcing the closure of the Anchorage airport. • There is no evidence that a mysterious AIDS-like illness is being spread through blood transfusions. Dr. Peter Tomasulo of the American Red Cross said in Rockville, Maryland.

The U.S. Geological Survey said a strong earthquake had struck in the Pacific Ocean off the Andreanof Islands in the Aleutian chain

sector not only was no longer pac-ing a lackluster recovery, but also voters that he intends to deal deci-

[The White House moved problems. But so far, they have

Wednesday to calm speculation dismissed all suggestions for dras-about an imminent cabinet sha-tic remedies for the weak economy.

ment that there would be "plenty of one draft after another, the presi

new faces" in a second term. The dent has more or less decided offi-

Associated Press reported from cials said, against proposing the Houston. Marlin Fitzwater, the kind of specific new tax cuts that

White House spokesman, said Mr. have been recommended by Mr.

Bush was not referring to any spe- Kemp and others on the party's

Jack F. Kemp to assure the secre- that having broken the promise b

tary of housing and urban develop- made on taxes at the last Republi-

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replace him. There has been wide open himself to ridicule with a

speculation, including a front-page comparably firm policy statement

the Houston Post, that Mr. Kemp Instead, officials said that unless

[Kemp supporters are numerous Bush intends to take n broad the-

and vocal at the convention, and matic approach to the economy

according to several straw polls that will place himself and the par-

delegates favor him widely over tyon the side of reducing taxes and

Vice President Dan Quayle as the controlling spending without say-party's presidential nominee in ing precisely which taxes and

Thursday night's speech, in which already offered that have been

he will accept the Republican blocked in Congress.

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Mr. Bush and his advisers view

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For a President Hoping to Jar the Economy, 3 Likely Options

By Peter Passell

New York Times Service NEW YORK - With unemployment seemingly stuck near 8 percent and consumers guarding their paychecks as if each may be the last, is George Bush fared to play the role of Herbert Hoover to Bill Clinton's version of Franklin' Roosevelt?

The White House has taken pains to scotch rumors that Mr. Bush will announce some dramatic initiative for stimulating the economy. Some economists are glad, arng that the present course is the best course for n stable, noninfla-

But many of Mr. Bush's supporters think otherwise. Although there are infinite variations on what the president might do to try to win public confidence in his economic prowess, three alternatives stand

1. 1981 All Over Again Within months of entering the White House, Ronald Reagan persnaded Congress to slash taxes, setting the stage for seven years of economic growth. Only in the late 1980s, when old-fashioned Republicans ganged up with liberal Democrats to resume the tax-and-spend policies of the past, did the economy run out of gas. That, at any rate, is how Jack F. Kemp, the secretary of housing and urban development, and other supply-siders see it.

Mr. Kemp and six New Right members of Congress are publicly pressing the president to embrace the supply-side revolution as his own. This policy would include an across-the-board tax cart, a freeze in discretionary government spending radical changes in the welfare system and a zero-inflation target for the Federal Reserve Board.

But the president's invitation to a supply-side party does not guarantee that anyone would attend, says Rudolph Penner, an economist at KPMG Peat Marwick.

ATLANTA - Bill Clinton said

Wednesday that it was an admis-

sion of failure for President George Bush to say that be would shake up

his cabinet if the voters re-elect him

in November. "It's a strong ac-

knowledgment of failure in the first

term," Mr. Clinton said. "That's

my reaction, 80 days before the



Barbara Bush, chatting with the actor Bruce Willis at an evening session of the Republican national convention in Houston.

would require legislation to put it ineffectual leader or, worse, a disin place, and there is little reason to believe that Congress would entertain radical economic changes of any sort before the election. Indeed, much of what Mr. Kemp

proposes has already been rejected by the legislators. Yet another brush-off could backfire, leaving Most of the supply-side agenda the impression that Mr. Bush is an

On the eve of his renomination,

Mr. Bush promised 10p-level

changes in a new administration

under him, "What I think you'll see, as in any second term," he said

Tuesday night on national televi-

sion, is "a lot of changes in people,

maybe in structuring the executive

Mr. Clinton has been maintain-

branch itself."

sembling one. The president's advisers, who think the supply-siders are intellectual lightweights, would only advance supply-side initiatives that were sure to die.

"Four years ago, George Bush's word was his bond," said Jude Wanniski, president of Polyconom-

ton, but he has responded to most of the attacks leveled by Republi-

Mr. Bush and his spokesmen

have belittled the Arkansas gover-

nor as being inexperienced in for-

eign affairs and have attacked his

economic policies as just another

the supply-siders' 1980 assault on Washington, has the collateral in mind. He believes the president could index capital gains to prices

by executive order, cutting the ef-fective tax rate with the stroke of a The effect would certainly be **Bush Admitting Failure, Clinton Says** striking. A share of stock pur-

chased for \$100 in 1979, for example, would he taxed only on the gain above \$200, because the price level has since doubled. The obstacle, apart from Mr.

Bush's innate caution, is a legal one. C. Boyden Gray, the White nating House counsel, has ruled that the years. president does not have the authority to index capital gains.

But Lawrence Zelenak, a professor of law at the University of North Carolina, thinks a deter-

town. New Jersey. "Now, the voters demand collateral."

Mr. Wanniski, who spearheaded the supply-siders' 1980 assault on Notes, "indexing would probably he immune from judicial challenge," because potential challeng-ers could not make the case that

> 2. Embracing the Radical Middle If Mr. Bush loses the election, goes the now-familiar refrain, it will be because he could not coax back the suburbanites and bluecollar elite, sometime-Republicans who defected to Ross Perot. One

they had been injured.

way to win them over would be to adopt Perot's program for elimi-nating the budget deficit in five

But the Perot plan relies on tax ment spending. Thus, in wooing and hope to increase the president's votes from the radicalized middle, clout with the electorate hy tried Mr. Bush might further alienate and true means

those stung by his 1990 retraction of his read-my-lips pledge not to raise taxes. And it would certainly anger the affluent elderly, who would take home less from Social Security retirement payments and

pay more for health care. The Perot initiative "appeals to budget nerds like me," said Mr. Penner, the economist. But any plan that "asks for short-term suffering in the name of long-term gains is politically risky," he con-

Another worry is that it would lengthen the recession. In the long run, n smaller deficit would free resources for private investment, lowering interest rates and presum-ably increasing growth. But it is hardly the medicine of choice for

smoothing the business cycle.
"I would be happy to wake up in five years with a 50-cent gas tax, said Robert Solow, an economist at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. But the immediate cffect of federal tax increases, he noted, would he fewer jobs and less

3. Born-Again Keynesianism
"We are all Keynesians now,"
Richard Nixon concluded in 1971. Fiscal fine-turning is again out of fashion, at least in Republican circles. But by advocating tax cuts or spending increases, Mr. Bush might connect with the people who count most — voters who fear for their jobs.

And by dressing it up in supply-side rhetoric, he might make it pal-atable to the right. "Distinguishing between Keynesian and supply-side stimulus is a matter of spin and timing rather than substance," said Benjamin Friedman, an economist

Mr. Bush would not have far to look, were be were so inclined. An appeal signed by 100 economists this spring called for a swift disbur-sal of cash to state and local governments to prevent cutbacks in construction projects. Mr. Bush might add some job-stimulating tax breaks and call it the fiscal policy for all seasons.

The one big drawback: no direct impact before the election. The action might not be visible for six months," Mr. Solow of MIT con-

Is the White House likely to go for broke anytime soon? They're in the grip of timidity increases and cuts in social entitle- and paralysis," Mr. Wanniski said,

BUSH: Seeking a Moral Tone, the President Homes In on 'Family Values'

ing a fairly low profile during the round of "tax and spend."

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appearances. "I stake my claim to a simple belief — the president should try to set a moral tone for this nation." he told the Knights of Columbus this month in New York. "I believe that a central issue of this election year should be who do you trust to renew America's light for the ideas that will help rebuild our families and restore our fundamental values."

Although often couched in generalities, the purpose of "values" themes in elections is to create polarizations pitting the mass of working and middle-class voters against different, but in varying ways interrelated, "thems."

On Monday night, Patrick J. Buchanan underscored conservativevalues themes when he declared: "The agenda that Clinton and Clinton would impose on America abortion on demand a firmus test for the Supreme Court, homosexual rights, discrimination against religious schools, women in combat units — that's change all right, but it's not the kind of change America

For 20 years, the two geniuses in designing campaigns dominated by values themes have been Senator Jesse Helms, Republican of North Carolina, and Lee Atwater, who ran the Bush campaign in 1988. In 1990, Mr. Helms steadily cut

into the lead held by his Democratic challenger, Harvey Gantt, first with a commercial that portrayed Mr. Gantt as the advocate of legislation mandating gay teachers in public schools.

Mr. Helms followed up the gay ad with a commercial that has become a classic in the melding of

speech to begin the process of mak-

ing people trust him again when he

talks about the economy," one offi-

with the economy have been seen

as duds. In his State of the Union

Message in January, for example,

he offered a list of disparate pro-

posals that seemed to many ana-

Mr. Bush's past speeches dealing

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values, race and workplace self-interest. It pictured white hands rip-ping up a job rejection slip issued because the employer was forced to meet a racial quota.

Two years earlier, Mr. Atwater had combined a set of values themes to give Mr. Bush, a patrician, a deep populist hue: the death enalty, the American Civil Liber ties Union and a no-new-taxes These themes went right to the

heart of Democratic vulnerabilities among key white working and low-er-middle-class voters who believed the party of Franklin D. Roosevelt had become the party of special preferences, using taxes collected from workers to pay for welfare and programs benefiting prisoners more than victims of crime. The 1992 electoral climate, how-

ever, differs in two major ways cerns of white Reagan Democrats. from that of 1988.

Clinton campaign, including such key advisers as Stanley Greenberg and James Carville, are acutely aware of the Democratic liabilities on values issues. Over the years these liabilities have weighed down the presidential wing of the party with the nomination of George S. F. Mondale and Michael S. Dukakis, along with the prominent role of the Reverend Jesse Jackson in

the presidential politics of the Mr. Carville learned the power of values when he worked in the 1984 Texas Senate race when Phil Gramm, a Republican, crushed Lloyd Doggett in part by capitalizing on a gay fund-raising event held in Mr. Doggett's behalf. Mr. Grecaberg has specialized in the study of the racial and cultural con-

He was one of the few Democratic

The first is that members of the consultants in 1988 to immediately, recognize the power of the furlough of Willie Horton, a first-degree murderer, to establish an image of Mr. Dukakis as a liberal more concerned with prisoner rights than the welfare of law-abiding citizens. Mr. Clinton has from the start of

> his presidential campaign sought to values issues. He has stressed his commitment to a relatively tough welfare-workfare policy, exercised the death penalty as governor of Arkansas and accepted the party's nomination "in the name of all those who do the work, pay the taxes, raise the kids and play by the

The second major change in the values debate is that Mr. Bush, by breaking his no-new-taxes pledge, effectively severed much of the underlying linkage of values issues to

Perhaps Eloquent, It's Not Lincoln

By Herbert Mitgang

NEW YORK - In his speech to the Republican National Convention, former President Ronald Reagan said the Democrats do not understand the principles "so eloquently stated by Abraham

Correction. One reason the Democrats - or anybody else, including Lincoln scholars — do not understand these principles is that the loth president never said what the 40th president claimed he said. In Mr. Reagan's speech Monday night, he quoted Lincoln as saying: "You cannot strengthen the weak by weakening the strong. You cannot help the wage earner by pulling down the wage payer. You cannot help the poor by destroying the rich, You cannot help men permanently by doing for them what they could and should do

for themselves. But Thomas F. Schwartz, curator of the Henry Horner Lincoln Collection at the Illinois State Historical Library in Springfield, said: These fake Lincoln quotations have been known for more than three-quarters of a century. They've been exposed as untrue many

times, but the words keep coming up, usually in a political or business context. The words have not been cited by any Lincoln scholar, except in

These Lincoln quotations have been rattling around in Republican literature for some 50 years, even though they've been brought to the attentiou of party officials as phony," said Eric Foner, DeWitt Clinton Professor of American History at Columbia University. "Mr. Reagan is a master of invoking real, and sometimes unreal, figures and quotations on his side. He did something similar with

Asked about the quotations, Catherine Goldberg, the former president's spokeswoman, said, "I'm not aware that they are un-

She added, "I do know that he got the quotations out of The Toastmaster's Treasure Chest,' a book by Herbert V. Prochnow." For many years, Lincoln scholars have been aware that the actual anthor of the maxims used by Mr. Reagan is the Reverend William John Henry Boetcker, a minister from Erie, Pennsylvania, who was born in 1873 and ordained in Brooklyn, and was a lecturer and a pamphleteer.

Bush-Quayle Aide Fired for Racial Slur The Associated Press

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"I mean to speak of big things,"

be said at the time. But then he

urged Congress to "modify the pas-

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DETROIT — A Bush-Quayle campaign aide has been fired after allegedly using a racial slur against a

The Detroit News said Wednesday that the campaign aide, Bobhy Carr, had been removed from a similar joh last month at the White House because of poor performance.

Ken Cole, a reporter for the Detroit News, said Mr. Carr called him a "nigger" during the president's trip to Michigan on July 27, the newspaper reported. Mr. Carr was on the White House staff at the time of the incident, the News said. He was working for the campaign at the Republican National Convention

plained to Mr. Carr that he had not received proper press credentials. He said Mr. Carr then turned to another staffer and said, "This nigger reporter is giving me a hard time. I don't know why he's com-plaining. He's probably just going to write a hatchet joh anyway."

Mr. Carr told the News he found the word "offensive and repulsive." But when asked if he had made the shur, he would not deny it.
"I can't take that extra step." Mr. Carr said.

Marlin Fitzwater, the White House spokesman, was noted by the News as saying that Mr. Carr had been fired from his White House position last month and

was dismissed from the campaign staff on Tuesday.

"Anyone who cannot deny such a statement should then he was fired.

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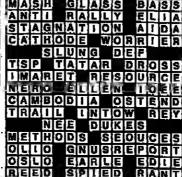
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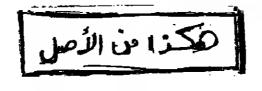
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fire accord by interfering with United Nations operations. But the accord permits Iraq to fly all types of aircraft and sets oo restrictions on their use. Shooting them down would put the United States in the position of breaking an accord it is pledged to uphold. Even worse, such precipitous action

could subvert America's prime aims in Iraq, which are to keep that country disarmed and undermine its desperate dictator. The United States and its allies had those aims clearly in sight when they insisted on the UN inspectors' right to search for weapons of mass destruction. and threatened military action if inspections were thwarted. But using force to back the Shiite rebellion would only weaken Arah support for keeping UN inspec-tors and relief workers in traq. And the threat to break up Iraq will only shore up Saddam by rallying the army to his side.

There is scant enthusiasm for intervening in support of the Kurdish and Shiite rebellions. Since the cease-fire the Iraqi army, instead of turning on Saddam, has backed his efforts to repress the rebellion

In the latest emerging showdown with and hold the country together. The repres-Saddam Hussein, Washington and its allies sioo has had the tacit support of others in the region. Turkey, which has many more Kurds than Iraq does, fears that their rehellion would spread and has stepped up its own repression, even conducting air strikes against Kurdish encampments in northern Iraq. Most states in the Middle East, concerned that the main beneficiary of fraq's hreakup would be Iran, have not

protested at repression of the Shiites.
Saudi Arahia seems to have changed its mind and wants to support the rebels. So do Britain and France. George Bush, casting for a way to whack Iraq and boost his own political fortunes, is pressing that effort on reluctant allies.

He wants to impose a "no-fly" zone in southern Iraq. That would stretch the cease-fire accord beyond the breaking point. And it will not be enough to stay the Iraqis' band. Even if the allies barred flights, Iraqi troops and tanks would remain the main engines of repression.

President Bush seeks action under UN Resolution 688, a dubious justification. The resolution condemned Iraqi repression as a threat to international peace, demanded a cessation and called for humanitarian aid. But it did not authorize force to stop the fragis. Mr. Bush would be wiser to support United Nations enforcement of the cease-fire agreement without pushing beyond that agreement into new and dangerous territory.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

something truly slick, if not downright oily, going with the newest version of the oldest political game in the world. It's called "Who, me?" The rule is that you encourage others to make all the truly sleazy or crooked or demagogic points against the opposent while you merely gasp and fan yourself and flutter that gosh you wish they would stop. The makers of these remarks then apologize, sort of, through a big grin, and everyone sits back and awaits the next "unauthorized" attack. It is never a long wait.

Maybe this stratagem is as clever as some Republicans in Houston seem to think. To us it doesn't look so clever, since its implication, which is bound to sink in with repetition, is one of weakness, of refusal to take responsibility for what is done in your name.

Of course, part of the problem is that noone has exactly defined what is and is not out-of-bounds assaults in the campaign. Ronald Reagan, to his rousing political Democrat-bash Monday night, showed; once again, that be is the tonal master. knowing how to hit hard without crossing the line into nasty, unattractive abuse. He took on candidate Clinton and the Demo-. cratic Party to that good-humored but devastating "There you go again" voice made familiar in his debate with Jimmy Carter. Others, including notably Senator Alan Simpson and Patrick Buchanan, did their familiar claw-on-the-side-of-the-face thing.

Mr. Buchanan is interesting here. He has Mr. Bush last winter, to Prince Albert, as he now derides Al Gore. Mr. Buchanan's spectacular flip-flop from the 32-foot board should be a bit awkward to accommodate for a party that makes so much of the claim that Bill Clinton has shifted from one position to another without hesitation or scruple. It seems like only yesterday, and in fact it practically was, that Mr. Buchanan was telling the American public of Mr. Bush:

"He says one thing and does another." "He's the biggest taxer in history, the biggest spender, run the biggest deficits."
"Mr. Bush had what be called a oew conservative State of the Union, but when you looked at it, the proposals were small and pathetic and timid." "Why has the United States failed to recognize the peoples of Slovenia and Croatia who are rising up for their freedom even as we did 200 years ago? Why is Mr. Bush playing footsic with Li Peng and Deng Xiaoping? Excuse me, but were these not the gentlemen who sent the tanks to roll over the children in Tiananmen Square ... ? What happened? One month later a secret visit from Eagleburger and Scowcroft, the kowtow twins of Kis-

singer Associates."
But in a political world where nothing matters and nothing lasts, except of course the protestations by switchers like Mr. Buchanan that they and they alone are pillars of uobending principle, all this stuff from one day is gone down the mem-ory tube the next. And in truth he seems more suited to his current attack than he was to mere Busb-bashing. For the themes being most assiduously cultivated in these "Who, me?" attacks made on behalf of George Bush are right up the Buchanan alley: imputations of moral inferiority, warnings about the dangers homosexu pose to the society, allegations of failed patriotism on the part of opponents and the rest. All this is the stew that the Republicans are stirring while George Bush

And finally there are, of course, the question of the Clinton draft status during the Vietoam War and the attempt to savage the candidate's wife.

frowns to unconvincing disapproval.

up all the old debate over the circum-

Something Truly Slick Talk about slick! George Bush has stances in which Vice President Dan

Herald Eribune.

Step Carefully in Iraq

Quayle found his way into the Indiana National Guard. And even Mr. Buchanan may face a question or two. On television after the Buchanan speech, the commentator Mark Shields started it off: "I did find it a little bit disingenuous for Patrick Buchanan, whose bad knee kept him out of military service and who is almost a compulsive jogger to this day, for him to be criticizing Bill Clinton's lack of military service." Mr. Buchanan will complain that this does not do justice to the full facts of his case. Doing justice to the full facts of any case, including Bill Clinton's, is not something for which he is himself famous.

As for Hillary Clinton, the Republicans may risk looking a little foolish and overkill-minded in their preoccupation with her, the kind of focus that gets people to saying they should be concentrating on other things. But the candidate's wife and ber beliefs are a legitimate object of inquisleaze or what does constitute irrelevance or ry. We would add that when George Bush complains that it is by definition "sleaze" to go after his children, he is off the mark, as they are also legitimate objects of inquiry, since these presidential children are not exactly minors after all, but grown men involved in financial arrangements that bear oo their father's office. Just so, Mrs. Clinton's views and professional activities are within the realm of fair comment.

> The problem is elementary fairness and houesty in debating them. Mrs. Clinton wrote two articles about the legal status of children that are the basis for the distortion of her positions. She ooted in one, a scholarly piece in the November 1973 Harvard Educational Review, that the law refers to the family to setting the rights of children. She likened that to the way the law had sometimes consigned other groups thought incapable of managing their own offairs to institutional settings in the past. Such settings "along with the family" had at one time or another included "marriage, slavery and the Indian reservation system, she wrote. The reference to marriage was to the fact that for much of America's history the property and rights of married women were given to their busbands.

She refers io the second piece to rare occasions when children ought to have a right to sue their parents. Chores have oothing to do with it, as one of her slick assailants on this issue, the Republican national chairman Richard Bond, well knows. What do the right-to-lifers to whose views his party defers think about those occasions when, for religious or other reasons, parents would deny lifesaving

medical care to their children? Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Bond and the others in Houston baye caricatured Hillary Clinton and are hoping to frighten the elector-ate with the result. The question is whether the voters will be more frightened by this concoction of theirs than they are by the economic situation. We think it's a long shot that they will and that, meantime, even with the daily disclaimers of responsibility, the president risks being made to look foolish and frantic by his campaign's run against the Clinton bogeys.

Other Comment

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Russia Should Press On

The greatest achievement of the revolution a year ago was the freeing of the people from terror. It made the changes set in motion by Mikhail Gorbachev take root. The problem is how to harness such feelings. One way will he to press on with reform and thereby to invigorate the economy and society. But we must not forget those left behind by change, The Vietnam issue is likely only to stir such as retirees and disabled persons.

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OPINION



For Bush It Will Take More Than a Good Speech

By David S. Broder

HOUSTON — Based on his history, you can make two gnesses about the acceptance speech President George Bush delivers to the Republican National Convention Thursday night. It will be well-written and effectively delivered, and will give him a boost in his uphill battle for reelection. And it will give the country scarcely a cine of what he would really do if he wins.

The speech has been proclaimed by Republican leaders across the country as Mr. Bush's last, best hope for turning around a campaign that has been dominated for weeks by Bill Clinton. They are right. The moment is incredibly important.

For that very reason, my hunch is that Mr. Bush will do very well — as he did in similar circumstances in New Orleans four years ago. The speech he gave then caused voters who knew him only as Ronald Reagan's obsequious vice president to think better of his character and strength. It put heart into the Republican faithful and sparked the campaign that overcame Michael Dukakis's early lead.

Mr. Bush is a competitor who psyches himself to a high level of performance for critical tests. He will have labored over this speech and rehearsed it to a fare-thee-well. The eloquence that his speech writer, Peggy Noonan, put into the 1988 text may well be matched by his 1992 collaborator, Raymond Price, who crafted some superb and substan tive addresses for Richard Nixon in the 1968

presidential campaign.

But history suggests that it is all window dressing. On the journey from New Orleans to Houston, Americans have learned two important lessons about this president: He has no real regard for his.

NEW YORK—The big news from Russia, a year after the abortive coup, is that there is no news—none, that is, of the kind outsiders had grown used to. No

news of five-year plans and great

leaps forward. No purges, invasions,

arrests or saber-rattling.

No longer do we have to study
who was standing where during the
May Day parade to find out which

leaders are in and which are out, or

pore over speeches clotted with

Marxist jargon. These days it is all in

the newspapers and on television.

There is a president at odds with

his perliament, and legislators who snari at the press, and a press that snaris back, Parties wrangle and the

military wants to hold on to as much

power as it can. The very normality of it all is shocking. How quickly we forget that even Mikhail Gorbachev's

Russia was recognizably the Russia of Brezhaev, Stalin and Lenin. Although he will go down in histo-

ry as the first Soviet leader to under-

stand that the empire had become a

Potemkin village, a glorious facade without substance, Mr. Gorbachev's

aim was to rescue communism not

bury it. President Boris Yeltsin's goal

Does this mean that Mr. Yeltsin

has succeeded? Was the abortive

coup the last convulsion of a system

in its death throes? Or is the present

democratic regime itself a Potenkin village, with Mr. Yeltsin doomed to

regress and to repeat the same cycle

has been the opposite.

own campaign rhetoric. And while he may hire good speech writers for occasions like this week, he has virtually no capacity or interest in regularly using the forum of the presidency to shape and

mform the public debate. Both these points are powerfully documented in two new books that deal with Mr. Bush and the presidency: "Energy in the Executive: The Case for the Sirong Presidency," by the conservative writer Terry Eastland, and "Marching in Place: The Status Quo Presidency of George Bush," by

Time magazine's White House correspondents, Michael Duffy and Dan Goodgame.

Mr. Duffy and Mr. Goodgame remind us what Mr. Bush said about campaign thetoric only a few weeks after he had won in 1988: "That's history. That doesn't mean anything anymore." The authors comment: "What happened during the campaign had nothing to do with what would take place in the White House because [for Mr. Bush] 'politics' exists in a realm entirely separate from 'governing.' ... The only goal of campaigns, and the disagreeable colling they demoded was united."

politics they demanded, was victory." Mr. Bush proved that he was ready to forsake the most memorable line in Ms. Noonan's New Orleans text: "Read my lips. No new taxes." When that pledge was abandoned in the 1990 budget summit, it seeded economic and political problems that continue to plague Mr. Bush. What is striking is how little he ever tried to explain to the American people why he made the pledge, why he broke it

Good Luck to Yeltsin on His Post-Soviet Tightrope

of attempted reform and defeat?

Some pundits lean toward the the-

ory that history will repeat itself. Mr.

Yeltsin's changes, they argue, are su-perficial. They cite his leadership style, described as autocratic; and his pen-

chant for ruling by decree.
But President Yeltsin is facing a real

dilemma. The parliament includes a

unajority of Communist conservatives

and hard-liners, most of whom were

appointed before the coup. These are

people who would not be re-elected if

there were a popular vote. If Mr.

Yeltsin, who was elected by a popular vote, were to defer to perliament,

he would be neglecting his duty to

represent the popular will. Yet by

overriding parliament with decrees,

a Russian Security Council with

sweeping powers to set the political

agenda independently of parliament.

Some commentators point to the uncomfortable similarity between Mr. Yeltsin's council and Mr. Gor-

bachev's National Security Council,

which was formed in the last months

of his regime and included many of

the coup's leaders. While Mr. Yelt-

sm's council is more balanced than Mr. Gorbachev's, alarm bells went off when Yuri Skokov, a former de-

fense factory director, was appoint-ed secretary. Mr. Skokov is a close

ally of another council hard-liner,

he invites charges of dictatorship. This conflict appears to have influenced Mr. Yeltsin's decision to create

by Michael Scammell

Vice President Alexander Rutskoi.

And both belong to the conservative

Civic Union, whose leader, Arkadi

Volsky, is a contender to replace

et coup," as the Moscow News has

warned, remains questionable: But

the council's creation, along with ru-

mors of the impending resignation of Andrei Kozyrev, the liberal foreign

Andrei Kozyrev, the interal foreign minister, is causing jitters.

There is a need to keep things in perspective, though. Mr. Kozyrev is still in office. Rumors of coups are an inevitable consequence of the supercharged atmosphere in which Rus-

sian politics is still conducted. Be-

cause of the unfamiliarity with

pluralism and free debate, plots are seen to lurk behind every hint of

opposition. When Mr. Gorbachev

spoke out against government poli-cies earlier this year Mr. Yeltsin him-

self cried consuracy.
Russia's leaders are struggling with other legacies. One is the practice of

ideologizing issues in a vain search for total solutions. For conservatives,

various forms of Russian nationalism

have replaced communism as a unify-

ing ideology. For liberals, "democra-

of Western institutions — has come - often a wholesale adoption

to represent utopia.
In this late echo of the 19th centu-

ry debate between Slavophiles and Westerners, one might possibly have

Yegor Gaidar as prime minister.
Whether all this amounts to a "qui-

and why he now says that doing so was a mistake.
It is symptomatic of his failure to use the presidency as an instrument of public persuasion. Mr. Pastland, a former Reagan administration official, observes: "The 'no new taxes' pledge helped him get elected, but it was not made in the context of a larger effort to frame a principled debate over the direction of the nation's fiscal policy. Nor did Bush, once elected, try to enlarge the discussion."

room hulletin board saying that the president and congressional leaders had agreed that "tax revenues" most be in the mix.

Mr. Bush has not been shy about using other tools of presidential leadership. He has issued vetoes and blocked the Democrats' efforts to override them. He has exercised his authority as com-mander in chief to commit U.S. forces around the globe. But a nation facing new challenges at home and abroad can ill afford a president who shuns the work of interpreting, teaching and explaining.

When hudget realities caught up with him in 1990, he began an open-ended bargaining process with Congress. His agreement to put taxes oo the table was announced in the most antiseptic and unpersuasive way possible; One morning a formal notice was hung on the White House press

Andrew Jacobs of Indiana recognize that without this unnecessary bloat, "Here was the single most important issue of domestic policy ... and Bush was hiding from his position instead of framing the debate," Mr. Eastland writes. "Bush's rhetorical failure ... seemed to stem from an aversion to, if not a disdain for, the kind of politics our system demands if it is to work, especially in an age of divided government."

Mr. Bush has not been shy about using other "legislators would be forced actually to know something about the issues."

The explosion of staffs has caused other major problems. In the name of oversight, vast stuffs and a growing number of subcommittees fuel an in-

creasingly counterproductive micromanagement of executive agencies. An ever more partisan 5,000-employee General Accounting Office has had an extraordinary 25 percent budget rise just since 1990. This and other rapidly growing "legislative agencies" now view themselves as elements of a shadow executive branch.

Most seriously, Congress's indulgent spending has jeopardized the in-tegrity and democratic character of the political system. With so much of their budgets directed at their re-clections, members have created the functional equivalent of incumbents-only

Hide Out

By Christopher Cox

and Michael Horowitz

W ASHINGTON — A campaign that ignores Congress's contri-

bution to voters' rage, however valuable for Bill Clinton, will be a pro-

poblical system. This is a theme that

the Republicans should sound loud

Mr. Clinton's unstated assumption

that he can work with Congress echoes

Jimmy Carter's debate point against Gerald Ford that large numbers of

Ford vetoes revealed a system too ad-

versarial for the country's good.

By the end of Mr. Carter's term,

such sensible administration members

as the president's counsel, Lloyd Cut-

ler, were calling for a parliamentary system, shaken as they were by the

Congress they encountered.

If Congress can avoid public scrini-

oy during this campaign, it is certain to become more imperious. Future members will listen to no one.

Voters don't want to return to an-

thoritarian Congresses and collapsed one-term presidencies. They expect

bring Congress into line. George Bush's central problem is the voters' perception that be has not done so.

Congress requires external disci-pline, and its problems run deeper

then scandals and perks. With more than 20,000 employees, its spending on itself has grown by more than 700 percent in two decades. In 1970 it cost

\$343 million to run Congress; by 1989

the figure had risen to \$1.2 billion.

This year Congress proposes to spend an astonishing \$2.3 billion on itself.

Such Democrats as Representative

There is now so much congressional staff that it seriously interferes with the rational consideration of issues.

the president to use his powers to

and clear in Houston.

found disservice to the American

public campaign financing.

Mr. Bush can force Congress to reform itself - by vetoing the legislative appropriations bill.

Recent presidents have been far too willing to approve, without review, whatever money Congress votes for itself. While the Office of Manage ment and Budget assigns examiners to watch the budget of the Civil War Battlefield Monuments Commission, for example, no one reviews the \$2.3 billion legislative branch budget.

In a remarkable display of appetite for change, 143 members of Congress only two short of veto strength -have voted against this year's congressional appropriation. With presidential leadership, a veto could be sus-tained. From Mr. Bush's perspective, the coming cycle of appropriations bills may represent his last chance to force the system to take him seriously. The president's own reform proposals will continue to be ignored by congressional leaders, and the lack of results will be treated by voters as

lines that such a fight would be for the presidency itself.

The president must serve as a bold

and successful agent of change, tak-ing on Congress in a battle that re-quires the support of only one-third

It will not be easy or without risk,

but historie efforts to restore bal-

of the members of either house.

ances of power never are.

evidence of his complicity in the system's nonperformance. A veto strategy that focuses on the coming appropriations bills opens the door to another important light on which a determined president can prevail. He can insist that he will not sign appropriations that do not provide him with line-item veto au-thority. The fact that Mr. Clinton has called for such authority under-

It would be a mistake to replace

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the roots of a gennine two party sys-tem. Sadly, such a prospect collides with another Russian tradition, that

of communitarianism. Parties. Russians are quick to remind us, can represent only a "part" of the electorate. Russians yearn for manimity, which explains why Mr. Yeltsin, a liberal, feels obliged to coexist in one government with Mr. Rutskoi, a conservative.

The concept of a loyal opposition has had a hard time taking hold in Russia. Hence the desperate attempts either to silence the opposition or to draw it into coalitions.
Still, Mr. Yeltsin has done better

than could have been expected. Most of his original administration is still in place. He has made a start on promised reforms. He has negotiated disarmament treaties and loan agreements and maintained more or less peaceful relations with Russia's commonwealth neighbors. Russians have shown themselves to he a mature, if conservative, people.

And while it is true that Mr. Yeli-

sin's popularity has plummeted, it is not clear how trustworthy the polls are. Most ratings appear to be weighted in favor of the cities and of the intellectuals in the cities, who have never been great fans of the blunt, unpolished president. It is they, very often, who are feeding conspiracy theories to Western correspondents, and who would wel-

one conspiracy theory with another, but a little more caution would be in order. We have seen what governments of intellectuals can do in all the Communist regimes of our century, starting with Lenin's and ending (one hopes) with Mr. Gorbachev's. It is time in Russia at least to call

a halt to impossible schemes and dreams. Long live the politics of compromisel Long live Yeltsin!

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IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1892: Royal Betrothal

VIENNA — According to the New Freie Presse, King Alexander of Servia is shortly to be betrothed to the via is shortly to be betroffied to the youngest daughter of Prince Nicolas of Montenegro, in spite of ex-King Milan's opposition, King Alexander returned here to-day [Aug. 19] from his Continental tour. The Regents have decided to accept the resigna-tion of M. Pashitch's Cabinet, and a new Ministry is expected to be constituted in the next two days.

1917: Mexican Refugees

MEXICO CITY - President Carranza has sent to the Mexican Congress an amnesty proposition which aims at giving all Mexican refugees in other countries the right to return to Mexico with the exception of those who participated in overturning the Government of Madero. The Mexican Government has named Mr. Kammerer and Mr. Chandler, important American financiers, on a com-

mission composed of Mexicans and Americans to consider Mexico's financial problems. This is thought to indicate the rapprochement of Mexico and the United States.

1942: Raid at Dieppe LONDON - (From our New York

edition: Specially trained troops of the Allied nations, giving the enemy a taste of what he can expect in overwhelming doses in the future, stormed the strongly fortified German positions in the vicinity of Dieppe today [Aug. 19] in the biggest and most successful Commando raid in the war. The troops were supported by tanks and heavy weapons and were covered by an umbrella of planes estimated at 1,000. American soldiers of the United States Army Ranger Battalion, toughened by weeks of spartan training, received their bap-tism of fire on the European continent in this war as they fought alongside British Commandoes, Canadians and Fighting French units.

How Thailand Could Help Cambodia By Kavi Chongkittavorn

has turned to those behind them. Thailand is in the firing line. Anand Panyarachun, appointed

interim prime minister to organize elections in September after clashes in May between pro-democracy demonstrators and a military-dominated government, is increasingly frustrated over the criticism of Thailand. It undermines his efforts to try to restore international confidence in the country's political stability and economic performance after the May killings.

Mr. Anand recently warned that anyone in Thailand caught helping the Khmer Rouge would be punished with "immediate and tough action." This ultimatum will be difficult to enforce and is, by itself, an insufficient deterrent.

land's links with the Khmer Rouge are deeply embedded in the Cambodian conflict. When Vietnamese forces drove the Khmer Rouge regime from Phnom Penh in late 1978, the Thai government and military decided to provide assistance and sanctuary to Khmer Rouge guerrillas to prevent Vietnam from becoming the dominant power in Indochina Bangkok had long seen

Part of the problem is that Thai-

BANGKOK — Kinner Rouge guerrillas are being accused of obstructing United Nations efforts to bring peace to Cambodia, by their refusal to disarm. Attention

Cambodia as a strategic buffer between Thailand and Vietnam.

Bangkok finally amounced an end to official Thai support for the Kinner Rouge when the peace agree-Khmer Rouge when the peace agree-ment for Cambodia was signed in Paris in October. But Thai leaders

have argued that the Paris accords do not precinde commercial links with any of the Cambodian factions. There is extensive That trade and investment in areas controlled by the Pinnom Penh government, which was installed by Vietnam, so why not with the Khmer Rouge?

Today, private interests operating from Thailand provide the Khmer Rouge connection. The taxes and fees they pay to cut trees and mine precious stones in areas of western Cambodia controlled by the Khmer Rouge are more than sufficient to keep the estimated 20,000 Communist lighters in the field. The Thai traders and companies who do business with the Khmer Rouge have close nes with some senior government and mili-tary officials in Thailand.

While the Khmer Rouge may no longer be getting arms from China, continued trading with Thailand provides the money that the guerrillas need to buy arms on the open market and undermine the Cambodian peace accords whenever it suits their purpose.

To support the peace process in should lift marrial law in provinces adjacent to Cambodia, especially near areas under Khmer Rouge influence. This would open the border zone to scrutiny by international aid agencies and the media. To put pressure on the Khmer

Rouge to comply with the Paris accords, which they signed, Thai-land should also impose a temporary ban on trading with the rebels and seal the Thai-Cambodian border. And Bangkok should deny visa privileges and health-care services to Khmer Rouge leaders.
Such a crackdown would be hard to enforce, not least because much

of the long border runs through forest and mountains. It would need firm backing from the Thai military at all levels. In retaliation, the Khmer Rouge might well launch attacks against Thai troops and villagers along the frontier. Living with an angry Khmer Rouge menace may be painful for Theiland. But having Cambodia in

turnoil and under threat of a Khmer Rouge takeover would be more troublesome in the long term. Thailand should fall in step with demands by the international community that all signatories support the Paris peace agreement

The writer, Southeast Asia editor of the Bangkok newspaper The Na-tion, contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

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OPINION

Little Comfort in Numbers For Suffering Republicans

George F. Will

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cliches are numerical.

Since the world's oldest two-party competition coalesced in 1856, the parties' presidential candidates have re-ceived 1,208,665,869 votes. Republicans have won 51.8 percent of the two-party vote. But since 1952, Republican candidates have received 53.3 percent; since 1968, 55.1 percent.

In the 132 years since a Republican first won the presidency. Democrats have held that office just 48 years. They would have to win the next nine elections,

have to win the next time caccurate, through 2024, to catch up.

In the 1980s, Ronald Reagan and George Bush won 1,439 electoral votes, more than any party ever won in a decade. In 1988, Mr. Bush won by 10 or decade. In 1988, Mr. Bush won by 10 or decade. more percentage points in 28 states with 263 electoral votes — only seven with 263 electoral votes — only seven short of the winning number. In the last 36 years, three Republicans seeking reelection (Dwight Eisenhower in 1956, Richard Nixon in 1972, Mr. Reagan in 1984) won landslides, averaging 58.9 percent of the two-party vote.

But at this point Republicans run out of numerical Novocain. Other numbers hurt. One reason Mr. Bush could become just the second incumbent since

tome just the second incumbent since Herbert Hoover to be defeated is that Bill Clinton, in order to win, does not have to make an astonishing improvement on what Michael Dukakis did.

In contrast, Mr. Dukakis, to win in 1988, would have had to increase by 25 percent Walter Mondale's 1984 total of Al percent of the vote. Such leaps are rare. In 1952 Mr. Eisenhower, a world there running in a war-weary country, made a 22 percent improvement on Thomas Dewey's 1948 portion of the total vote. In 1976 Jimmy Carter made a 34 percent improvement on George McGovern's 1972 total

. Mr. Dukakis, to his percentage of the total popular vote, ran the Democrats' second strongest race to 24 years stronger than Hubert Humphrey in 1968, Mr. McGovern in 1972, Mr. Carter in 1980 and Mr. Mondale in 1984. Mr. Bush's victory margin of 7.8 points
was well below the Republican average of 13 points in the other six Republican victories since 1952. To win, Mr. Chinton needs a smaller jump from Mr. Dukakis's total than Mr. Dukakis made over Mr. Mondale's total.

Mr. Bush is the first president since - - Herbert Hoover to become president by election and to succeed a president of his own party. Mr. Hoover was not re-elected. And the last time a party won a fourth consecutive election, in 1944, the country was at war.

So, precedents send conflicting signals to worried Republicans, But and the property of the desired and the second of the

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TOUSTON—Republicans who are then, the Republicans here are also emitting some conflicting messages.

The light the search of comforting thoughts—cling property and attend conventions of the search of conventions of the search of conventions of the search cither party are people prone to forget-ting "how small, of all that human hearts endure, that part which laws or kings can cause or cure." Political activists are alike in exaggerating the importance of their activity.

This is a luman faible: Pickle makers probably think pickle-making makes the world go round. But it makes a conven-

tion of a conservative party somewhat occuliar. A convention of conservatives is, supposedly, a gathering of people philosophically committed to believing in the merely marginal importance of something—politics—that obviously is at the center of their lives. Now, these convention-going conservatives will, of course, insist that they are in politics to put politics in its proper alone which put politics in its proper place, which they say is off in a corner of life. But they say other things that contradic conservatism.

For example, many surily conserva-tives here are most critical of Mr. Bush because there was a recession "on his watch," and because the recovery (there have been five consecuti quarters of growth) is anemic. But by blaming Mr. Bush for this, these con-servatives are implicitly subscribing to the notion that presidents can, and therefore should, control the econo-my's destiny, even to the point of pre-venting business cycles. There was a time when conservatives understood that presidents shouldn't even if they

ould, and they can't.
Furthermore, Chris DeMuth, president of the American Enterprise Insti-tute, correctly argues that conserva-tives who say the economy can be tives who say the economy can be discombobulated by this or that action are implicitly subscribing to the heresy that a capitalist economy is a fragile thing, requiring deft and detailed management by government. The spread of that falsehood profits only its natural adherents on the political left.

The same is true of the way some conservatives talk about "values." What kind of conservative feels compassless unless a politician supplies

passless unless a politician supplies him with a "vision"? Some conservatives say America is great but its "val-ues" will be in mortal danger if Republicans lose an election. If so, in what sense are they really rooted values?

Time was when conservatives were like Prime Minister Harold Macmillan. When he was asked if he would give the British a sense of "purpose," he replied that people seeking a "purpose" should consult their hishops, not their politicians.

An English parson once began a ser-mon, "As God said, and rightly ..." Some Republicans talk like that Their sincerity is as obvious as their ideas are duhious, which is to say, immensely.

Washington Past Witters Group.



A Week of Rapids, a New Reality

By Pam Houston

HEBER CITY, Utah — When the cities cleared out this summer, evcrybody went west to the wild country and a lot of these people ran rivers. Here is the next trip's itinerary from the point

of view of the guide. Day One: Looking like beekeepers in floppy hats and mosquito netting, long pants and long sleeves, the urbanites will arrive, arms full of gear the guide's letter encouraged them to leave home: one carefully washed and pressed T-shirt for each day, brand new sandals and, in the case of the stockbroker and the literary agent, a tiny cellular phone. Although the dermatologist from the Twin Cires will assure them that after No. 15 it's all the same, they will each wear three bottles of sunscreen lotion around their necks with numbers ranging from 24 to 65. Given their choice, the women will all get into one boat, the men in another. The boats will maintain this junior high school dance configuration an astonishing 80 percent of the time.

one of their patrols and photograph the event. I was grateful, but declined. By great good fortune, someone sug-gested 1 try the Facroe Islands, which

are part of Denmark, but have home rule. The honorary British consulthere, Johan Mortensen, said they would be happy to take me out to sea in a fishery

partment boat. I was overjoyed.
The Faeroes, from what I saw of them

on the drive from the airport to the

docks at Torshavn, feature treeless, grass-covered hills with brightly colored httle villages huddled near the sea; love-ly waterfalls and cliffs, and millions of

sea birds — a bird-watcher's paradise.

We brought a lovely wreath of spring flowers made for us in Torshavn with

donations from families of other crew-men on the Florian. Our trip was 14 hours each way aboard the Olavur

Halgi. Captain Abrahamsen, Chief

Mate Juni and members of the crew made us feel at home.

Florian went down, the ship's engines were stopped. The late-evening sun

slanted across a pewter-colored sea and a few gulls circled as I gave a brief speech and dropped the wreath into the

sea. The captain gave a short, moving speech with tears in his eyes, ending. "Now we will remember them and be

silent for one minute." The ship's flag

On my return I met several Faeroese

was lowered to half-mast.

When we arrived at the spot where the

The guide will name the ever-deepening rock layers in the canyon walls, explain the various stages of desert varnish, point out cactuses: prickly pear, barrel and hedgehog, and find a group of desert big-horn ewes and lambs. The passengers will only want to know about the rapids, when will they get to them, how bad are they really, is it true that last year somebody died?

Despite the heat, nobody will jump

MEANWHILE

into the water on the first day: There are too many clothes to be taken off and put on, and they are afraid they will look ungraceful trying to get back into the boat. They will be ashen-faced and cotton-mouthed in the small opening rapids. By the time they get to camp, the acupuncturist, the infectious disease spe-cialist and the guy who will only say he's "in oil" will be simburned, and the expoet laureate of the United States will have been stung by a bee. Three hats will have gone overboard, one pair of sandals will have been left at the lunch spot and

at least one of the vegetarians will be ngry enough to eat meat. Over dinner (orange roughy Mexicana, fresh asparagus, parsley new potatoes and Bear Lake raspberries with real whipped cream), they will each tell the story of the last time they slept on the ground. The guide will look at the cloud-

less night sky and suggest sleeping under the stars. There will be urgent whispering about snakes, scorpions and rain. The tents will be pitched. By day two they will all have realized several things: that they really do have to use a "rocket box" for a bathroom, that there aren't any mosquitoes in the desert after all and that it would have probably

been O.K. to sleep outside. Most people will have traded long pants for bathing suits. By lunch, everybody will have had a life-jacketed swim through a minor rapid. They will have exhausted the surface information about each other's lives and

will begin to ask questions about the things they see. After dinner (barbecued chicken, fresh spinach, com on the cob, pineapple upside-down cake) the former Flying Tiger will drink just enough rum to tell everyone about what happens when he travels in space and time.

By day three they will realize there is

no point in trying to get their fingernails clean, that washing dishes is the best job (momentarily clean hands) and that closing up the toilet after everyone has finished is the worst. They will realize that swimming in the silty river makes them feel a little dirtier than before they went in, that everybody's hair gets greasy in three days, but not equally, and the two Berkeley computer guys, unshaven, will start to wear bandannas around their heads and look like members of a gang.

The rapids will get bigger and bigger.
By this time, everybody will know the difference between a cliff swallow and a sandpiper. They will notice the way the similant colors the canyon differently, every hour from the time it rises until the time it sets. In the morning, talk will be about opera, deconstruction, monoga-

But by late afternoon they will have figured out that it's O.K. to be quiet, and they will drift through miles of deepening canyon without a word, or cough or laugh. Tonight, there won't even be talk of setting up tents. The military policeman and the Hungarian film producer will begin a joyous, clan-destine affair and will fool no one.

On day four they will run the biggest rapid of the trip, and something will happen to somebody that makes it seem that be or she almost died. What will follow this is a lot of serious discussion about making the most of their time, about how fragile they all are, about how being outside puts them in touch with some essential part of themselves. They will start planning which river they want to float next year, they will speculate about what would it cost for a cabin and a couple of acres to the area, and when the guide tells them will say, always, "Damn, pay more than that to park my car."

By this time they are turning a nice rusty river color, they are forgetting, now, in the morning, to change into their care-fully packed shirts. They will say, "This is so very beantiful"; they will say, "My God, the things I've missed."

By the fifth day, they will start seeing literary shapes in the rock formations there's Don Quixote and Sancho Panza, there's George Jetson's dog, Astro, there's Roddy McDowell as be appeared in "Planet of the Apes."

When they stop for the night, the stockbroker, the shamanic healer and the actress will work together like a chain gang, unloading gear. The psychologist and the computer brothers will have the kitchen assembled and the salad made before the guide finishes pumping the water out of her boat. It's the last night on the river, and they won't even be talking about showers anymore; they want, they

will say, the trip to go on forever.

They will emerge from the canyon and arrive at the take-out point by noon on the sixth day. They will stand between the definting boat and the running bus like so many Persephones, the pomegranate bit-ten, each world beckoning, neither enough. There will be more hugging than

anyone would have anticipated.

The guide will thank them for their hard work and good company. She will remind them that nearly every wild river to the world is threatened by something: power plants, pollution, drought, development, irrigation, recreation, corrup-tion, greed. She will hope that they will carry whatever piece of themselves they found on the river back to the cities with them. She will hope they will make decisions that will keep the rivers flowing.

Pan Houston, a writer and river guide living in Utah, is author of "Cowboys Are My Weakness." She contributed this comment to The New York Times.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

persons, could wear armbands in the street marked "I" for Independent or "HF" for Help Friendly.

Küssaberg-Rheinheim, Germany.

It appears that Mr. Leventhal's most enious disability is not his blindness but

senous disability is not his bindness but his inability to accept an act of human kindness, even if offered tactfully.

There are blind people, like Mr. Leventhal, who have conquered their disability to an astounding degree, But there are others who gladly accept help.

One practically blind friend once told me that he did not like to ark for help.

me that he did not like to ask for help

because to do so could be embarrassing. We all want to be as self-sufficient as

possible, but we must also learn to ac-cept kindness and help — charity in its

basic sense — not in shame but gladly. When I see someone fall in the street I

JOYCE EARLEY LYNDON.

Lessons in (Bloody) History So once again we hear how bad and

needlessly bloody the French Revolu-tion was compared to the pure and clean American one ("Bastille Day Was Sav-age, So What's to Celebrate?" July 14). Three points come to mind:
First, all human history has been bloody. Within a few months, U.S. planes bombed Dresden, Nagasaki and Hiroshima, killing — rightly or wrongly—hundreds of thousands of civilians.

Second, the American Revolution was made an ocean away from the power it was fighting. Had it happened in London -as the French one did in Paris -

it wouldn't have survived a mouth. Third, after 1789 all men were deemed equal in France, whereas in America, slaves had to wait almost 100 years after the Revolution to be free, and blacks

almost 200 years to have full civil rights and be able to vote like everybody else. HUGO SCORNIK. Maspalomas, Canary Islands, Spain.

Helping the Blind

Regarding "If I Got Here I Can Get There, Thank You" (Meanwhile, Aug. 13) by Jay D. Leventhal:

My father, Thomas G. Likeman, v. 100 My father, Thomas G. 100 My father, Thomas G. Likeman, v. 100 My father, Thomas G. 100

Of course, blind persons in public places have the same rights of privacy and independence as anyone else. But not all individuals in the streets with white sticks are as confident or as experienced as Mr. Leventhal is.

By rebuffing strangers for their ama-tenrish efforts to help him, he may be inhibiting them from offering help to others who need it.

So how can a responsible public discriminate? Until a better solution is: Royal Air Force Base at Kinloss, Scot-found, perhaps all of us, not just blind. I land, offered to drop a weath during-

antomatically move to help the person up. I could never imagine that to do so might be considered insulting. EDWARD N. MEGAY.

My father, Thomas G. Likeman, was lost at sea in World War II when his merchant navy ship, the S.S. Florian, was sank by a German U-boat, It took me years of inquiries to discover the place in the North Atlantic where his ship went down. I wanted to lay a wreath to honor the brave men who died there. For three years, I searched the British Isles for some person or organization who would take me out to the site, without too much expense, but to no avail, although the commander at the

officials and even strangers who ex-pressed sorrow and thanked me for the kind things I had said about them in interviews that stemmed from the trip. I was glad I had gone to say goodbye to my father. I hope the flowers found their way to his ship. SUSAN EMMONS.

Ross-on-Wye, England.

GENERAL NEWS

A UN peacemaker from Ghana examining a weapon turned over Wednesday by a Cambodian soldier.

Khmer Rouge Refusal to Disarm Threatens Pact

New York Times Service

PHNOM PENH - Nearly a year after the Khmer Rouge." United Nations brokered a peace accordintended to end Cambodia's decades of bloodshed and terror, the accord is under threat of collapse because of the refusal of the Khmer Rouge to disarm its army of tens of thousands.

Some diplomats and Cambodians say they remain hopeful that the Maoist-inspired Khmer Rouge will begin at least a partial disarmament in time for elections next spring, but no one can be certain of the secretive groups's intentions.

In Phnom Penh, which has become a chaotic boom town with the arrival of more than 18,000 UN peacekeeping troops and civilian workers, there is a debate over what should be done if the Khmer Rouge remain obsti-nate and do not disarm. The alternatives include using armed UN troops to force the Khmer Rouge to cooperate.

The Khmer Rouge controlled the government in the 1970s and directed a "peasant revolution," a radical restructuring of soci-ety. Estimates of the number of Cambodians who died range from hundreds of thousands

One of four warring factions that signed the peace accord, the Khmer Rouge have ed a set of demands intended to strengthen their hand in the elections and dismantle the Vietnam-installed government.
In a visit to Phnom Penh this month, the

U.S. representative at the UN, Edward J. Perkins, said in an interview that "I'm more hopeful than not hopeful" about the pros-pects for peace. "Of course," he added, "I

don't know what is on the mind of the

Diplomats say that any grounds for hope lies in the expectation that the Khmer Rouge will determine, on the basis of a cold calculation of the facts and nothing else, that they must return to the peace process and begin to demobilize. According to this reasoning, Khmer Rouge leaders would otherwise risk being abandoned by their remaining allies, most importantly the Chinese government and the Thai military.

Even if the current stalemate is resolved with the Khmer Rouge, however, diplomats and many Cambodians agree that the peace process is almost certain to bog down again and again as the Khmer Rouge and other factions demand new concessions. It is impossible to find anyone here who

believes that the guerillas of the Khmer Rouge will ever simply lay down their arms and disappear into the jungle, even if their leaders do agree to rejoin the peace process this year.

Despite many dire predictions about Cambodia's future, the presence of the large UN force has produced a sense of relief, even of opportunity.

There have been repeated cease-fire violations in recent months by the Khmer Rouge, including shooting attacks on UN helicopters flying over their territory, but military observers describe the Cambodian country-side as generally peaceful.

Taking advantage of what many acknowl-

edge could be only an intermission in the civil war, foreign investors and wealthy Cambodians have created the fastest-growing if most chaotic and speculative economy

in Southeast Asia. we can raise and educate a generation of Even as most of its residents continue to children who will be capable of running a big construction site, with hotels, restaurants and office buildings under construction or ment.

renovation.

Newsstands have begun selling glossy Western magazines and there are two nev English-language newspapers in the capital, The Phnom Penh Post and The Cambodia Times. Stores are stocked with yogurt and cheese from Thailand and apples from

The owners of Cambodia's new interna-

Ine phones are working properly for the first time in years.

The question bedeviling diplomats, foreign businessmen, and many Cambodians is, Can the United Nations pull out of Cambodia on schedule next year.

Rouge does agree to return to the peace The United Nations, it is feared, will be marooned here. Without the presence of the

peacekeeping force, many here argue, the hard-won peace will collapse as Cambodians, many of whom have known only battle or genocidal terror in their lifetimes, find themselves mable to manage a government. Sawn Van Thay, a 39-year-old tailor whose shop is just off Achar Mean Boulevard, the capital's congested central thoroughfare, offers a hope common among Cambodians: be wants the United Nations

we can raise and educate a generation of live in utter poverty, Phnom Penh is now one government," he said, his seamstress turning from her work to nod, frantically, in agree-

"The Khmer Rouge killed all the people who had education," he said. "If the United Nations soldiers leave, we will go back to squabbling and then to war. The United Nations must stay many, many years."

That, UN officials insist, will not happen, especially with the Security Council now contemplating additional responsibilities to

what used to be Yugoslavia. "We are not here to solve all the problems

The Khmer Rouge are taking part to the peace settlement hammered out by the Unit-ed Nations. The nominal leader of the group is Khieu Samphan, a French-educated Cam-

bodian economist, who is believed by diplomats to answer to Pol Pot, the shadowy founder of the Khmer Rouge. The Khmer Rouge appear to have remarkable staying power, thanks to large stocks of weapons and its control over gem mining and logging areas near Cambodia's western border. The gems and lumber produce tens

PHILIP SHENON

Experts Fear Rise in Bosnia-Type Ethnic Conflicts as Peoples Fight for Identity

By Eugene Robinson

Washington Past Service
LONDON -- Violence of the kind tormenting former federal Yugoslavia is most likely to become an enduring feature of the post-Cold War world, analysis here say, threatening to spread and mocking hopes for collective securi-

"ty free of nationalist passions.

Shocking photographs and television scenes of emaciated prisoners in Serb-ran camps, and chilling phrases like "ethnic cleansing" give a sense of how aravistic and powerful national-

ASID CAR be. ... There are as many as 3,500 groups of people around the world that describe themselves as a "nation." But there are only 180 or so recognized nation states. This makes the potential for ethnic conflict virtually unlimited.

Ethnic conflict is the most likely problem of the politics of the 21st century," said Michael Clarke, director of the Center for Defense Studjes in London. The doctrine of national self-determination, which has been a standard of nthe 20th century, is going to become the curse of

The concept of "ethnic conflict" has grown to encompass even tribal wars that, in truth, have nothing to do with ethnicity. The peoples fighting each other in Bosnia-Herzegovina Serbs, Mushing and Croats - belong to the same South Slav ethnic and linguistic group.

being separated by religion and centuries of acculturation — and by old grievances they believe justify violent revenge.

The collapse of communism brought down

the Soviet Union and the Yugoslav federation, both of which suppressed ethnic conflict with powerful bureaucracies, secret policemen and

But now, Eastern Orthodox Serbs, Roman Catholic Croats and Islamic Slavs in Bosnia fight among themselves. They may soon to be joined by largely Eastern Orthodox Macedonians and Muslim Albanians. In the former Soviet Union, Armenians, who

are Christian, square off against neighboring Azerbaijanis, who are Muslim. According to Hugh Miall of the Royal Institute of International Affairs, researchers estimate that there are 125 ethnic or minority disputes in the old Soviet orbit alone, with about 25 of these classified as "armed" dis-

Similar ethnic conflicts, meanwhile, smolder and rage throughout the world — amid the chaos of Somalia, io the townships of South Africa, in India, in Sri Lanka, in the Middle East, in Central Asia and in the Pyrenees. Mr. Miall has produced a map showing about 40 ethnic "flash points" in Europe alone.

We refer to countries as nations, but in

But they have a sense of being different —of many cases they are anything but," said Adam congressing separated by religion and centuries of Roberts, a professor of international relations at Oxford University. "Some of them are dreadfully divided. You can't just plot people neatly around the world."

The world suffered a wave of ethnic wars

after World War II, as the British, French and other European empires dissolved, leaving countries whose borders seldom followed natural ethnic divisions.

That violence included the horrors of Biafra, Bangladesh and Southeast Asia, as well as the violent partitioning of India into Hindu and Muslim states and the enmity between Israel and the Arab world.

The breakup of the Soviet sphere, analysts say, is igniting a new wave of ethnic strife that could be worse than the last.

Anthony Smith, a professor of sociology at the London School of Economics who has written extensively on nationalism, said that in years past, different ethnic groups that coexist-

ed within the same political boundaries were

often geographically isolated and knew little about one another. Modern communications have changed that, bringing groups into closer contact.

In addition, he said, governments have much more impact than before on people's lives, elevating the stakes. More than ever, it matters

which group controls the central bureaucracy

and the distribution of resources as these "nations" seek their place in the sun. "I'm afraid I am rather pessimistic," Mr.

Smith said. "As long as there are these unrecognized groups that have not won a place, they will continue to stake their claims." Perhaps most difficult to understand, esnecially for those who live in New World immi-

grant societies like the United States, is how

group identification can give rise to the kind of extreme brutality and apparent irrationality displayed by the former Yugoslavs? How can neighbors who have lived side by side suddenly turn on each other so mercilessly?

The American tendency to think of individual rights makes it hard for them to grasp the

depth of group identity that is being seen now, Mr. Roberts said. Mark Wheeler, a lecturer to history at the University of London's School of Slavonic and East European Studies, says Serbs and Croats are ethnically indistinguishable, although

Croats may disagree.

The Serbs and the Croats speak the same nguage, with some variation in words. But the Serbs use the Cyrillic alphabet and the Croats the Roman, reflecting a thousand years of

church tradition. There was civil war between Serbs and Croats during World War II, with atrocities by

sands of Serbs, Jews and Gypsies.

to remain here for years.

But after the war, under the firm rule of Marshal Tito and unifying threat of invasion from the Soviet bloc, Yugoslavia's diverse peo-ples settled down together for a more-or-less peaceful coexistence, with many intermarriages

and notable economic progress. But the peace and progress ended abruptly there and elsewhere in Europe when Communist Party rule vanished.

"Ethnic claims had been formally repressed by those governments," said François Heisbourg, director of the International Institute for Strategic Studies. "And there was a very great weakness in civil society throughout those countries. Apart from the church in Poland, there was hardly anything to replace commu-nism with. So what was available? Family and

In the vacuum left behind by the collapse of communism, analysts say, leaders have been able to exploit nationalist feelings, sometimes basing their appeal on romantic versions of history that distort the truth. Those groups that do not have so much history have to discover it, or even invent it," Mr. Smith said. So Serbs crusade to avenge old wrongs — real or imagined — against Croats and against Bosnian Muslims who allied themselves with the Turks during centuries of Ottoman occupaapathetic about the current conflict, others seize the moment to exact vengeance or enrich themselves with their neighbor's property.

The Balkan conflict comes at a time when Europe is seeking greater unity, not fragmentation, and European governments have been deeply embarrassed by their inability to mount a concerted and effective response to the light-

ing, much less end it. The problem with a military response, as British officials frequently say, is that commu-

nal conflicts by definition crop up where rival groups live side by side. Cordons and aid corridors are difficult to

establish when the enemies live in adjoining apartments. Some scholars are beginning to ask whether traditional notions of "nation" and "state"

should be re-examined. "What we're seeing is the downside of national self-determination," said Mr. Clarke.
"The test of stability for a state should be its ability to absorb and live with a multiethnic

But in the Yugoslav conflict, he said, the Serbs are trying to set themselves up as some sort of etimically homogeneous place. That is simply inappropriate for modern Europe," he

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ties may be willing to free people held in detention centers in Bosnia-Herzegovina if the international community takes responsibility for the detainers, Reuters reported from Washington, quoting an Amer-There are indications the Serbs may offer to

The United States has learned that Serbian authori-

empty the camps if the Red Cross and the international community take responsibility for them," the official said. He said the information had come through diplomatic channels.)

The United Nations authorized the use of force to protect aid deliveries to besieged cities and towns of Bosnia-Herzegovina. But the resolution said nothing about the circumstances which would provoke a re-

sponse from the West, nor what form it would take.
UN officials acknowledged that if they were to Croats might stage an incident to try to force the West to attack the Serbs. order a retaliatory strike in response to the radar incident — an option none are advocating — they could not be fully confident they would even hit the

guilty party. Many aspects of the incident remain unclear. It is not known with certainty, for example, who was operating the antiaircraft battery, which was within territory controlled by Croatian forces. Nor is it clear whether the soldiers were acting under orders or their own initiative, or even whether the plane was actually

fired upon.

New 'Cleansing' Drive Feared

"ethnic cleansing" campaign that could drive 200,000

people from their homes in coming weeks, the United Nations said Wednesday.

Officials in Zagreb said they had detected a troubling geographical pattern to efforts by Serbs to terrorize Muslims and Croats. It expressed fear that the Serbs were trying to "close a circle" around a whole

"Whether or not this is an organized effort from outside, we don't know," said Peter Kessler, a spokes-man for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees. "But the situation is definitely becoming more diffi-

The corner of northwestern Bosnia that would be encircled by a new Serb drive has been home to at least Tactics of intimidation by Serbs appear to be spreading into new areas of northwest Bosnia in an said. It was not know how many had left.

have taken place over the last year. For some,

A more optimistic view was expressed by Sergei Kovalev, a former political prisoner who now heads the parliamentary commission on human rights. He said at at a news conference that the last year marked "the longest period of democracy in Russia's history."

He conceded that economic reform had been "treading water" for the last few months, but nevertheless insisted that the first real "steps toward the market" had been taken after "years of chattering about reform."

pear to have forgotten how close the country came to reverting to totalitarian rule.

SERBS: Old Mostar, City of Ruins

(Continued from page 1) under independent command. Local Muslims have a modest force, Croats have a larger and betterequipped militia supported from Zagreb. Also, the Party of Rights, a Croatian nationalist group, has sent units from its private army.

Although Mostar remains part of Bosnia-Herzegovina, local anthority is exercised not by Sarajevo. the capital, but by the commanders of the Croatian militia.

The destruction is so complete that it is hard to imagine how the Muslim quarter can ever be rebuilt. Fallen signs show where ice cream parlors, tourist offices and photo shops once stood. Streets are littered with empty shell casings and dehris. Under blackened bricks lies a poster that says. "Rolling Stones

-Urban Jungle."
Stone panels inlaid with Arabic script are still visible on the shattered wall that once guarded the mosque. Some headstones in the cemetery have been smashed.

Only a few civilians remain, most them elderly Muslims living in the shells of their homes. Platoons of Croatian soldiers walk the narrow streets, often stopping to sit in front of a small souvenir stand that somehow escaped destruction.

(Continued from page 1)

He said he earned 20 tacks of

a month to pour her tea, wash her

Sometimes she gave him extra silver and hand-me-down clothing. When invited to eat with her, he

get promoted and had his only mo-

ments of happiness when he

thought he might be successful. He

that there was fierce rivalry among called.

hands and play games with her, 1y and nothing else."

The stand is open every day, even though there has not been a paying customer for months and the proprietor fully realizes that none will come. He keeps the shelves inside neat, and every morning dusts his display of wooden plates bearing images of the city's once-famous bridge. They were his best-selling items.

At the military command headquarters in what was once an office building Sreeko Vucina, spokesman for the Croatian militia, said he accepted the fact that this town was part of Bosnia-Herzegovina, not Croana But he rejects Sarajevo's hope to create a multiethnic

"We will not accept living in a unified state under Moslim rule," he said. "There must be three sovereign national states within Bos-

A young nurse who was born in Mostar said many women felt uncomfortable around three bands of often undisciplined soldiers.

"This town is becoming like Beirut, but still I don't want to leave," she said. "I don't want to live in another place. I want to live in Mostar the way it was before the

the servants and the emuch corps

It ended in 1924, when a warlord

"We only had time to take our personal things," Mr. Sun said. The emperor just gave us our sala-

was full of intrigue and betrayal.

Woody Allen arriving at the Plaza Hotel for a press conference. Video Complicates **Allen-Farrow Case**

NEW YORK - The public batthe over the private lives of Woody Allen and Mia Farrow worsened Wednesday as her spokesman con-firmed that Ms. Farrow had videotaped her 7-year-old daughter apparently discussing sexual abuse.

Ms. Farrow made several copies by WNYW-TV. Mr. Springer said

of a videotape involving her child, said the spokesman, John Springer. The tape was viewed by a reporter and two producers at WNYW-TV who said Ms. Farrow's voice was beard off-camera asking Dylan Parrow, 7, about an alleged incident with Mr. Allen.

Some ennuchs took to begging Mr. Alien has vehemently denied on the street, where they were that he ever abused his children. taunted as sexless freaks. Mr. Sun was required to stand and first per-form three kowtows, the nitual pooled their money and built a Dylan, one of Ms. Farrow's 11 children, was also adopted by Mr. Allen, who seed last week for cusbending of the head to the ground, amongstery sing western Beijing, Mr. Sin said he worked hard to where they grew vegenthles and tody of Dylan, an adopted son Moses; 14, and Satchel; 4, his and Ms. lived in poverty, many rejected by

Farrow's biological son. Ms. Farrow's lawyer, Alan M. "We had to search garbage to Dershowitz, also painted an in-creasingly pasty picture of the besaid that he had ennuch friends but find coal to make a fire," he reing of the Farrow-Allen breakup. He said Mr. Allen started having sex with the oldest of Ms. Faxow's adopted daughters, Soon-Yi Previn, on Dec. 1, 1991, while he

was still involved with Ms. Farrow. Mr. Dershowitz said Mr. Alien founally adopted Dylan and Moses on Dec. 17 "while he was having sex with their sister." Soon-Yi Previn is believed to be about 21, but the Korean orphan has no birth

certificate. Ms. Farrow approved the adoptions without knowledge of the af-fair between Mr. Allen and Miss Previn, Mr. Dershowitz said. But. on Jan. 13, she found nude pictures of Soon-Yi Previn and immediately broke off ber relationship with Mr.

Allen, he said. to a genuine meltdown of my very, lawsuit were "separate issues." The core," Ms. Farrow wrote in a letter source painted a fairly harmonious to a friend, Maria Roach, who re-

everything I hold sacred; not for my family, not for my soul, not for God or my goals."

Lawyers for Mr. Allen and Ms.

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Farrow will meet in court Tuesday, # when a judge is expected to set a roial date in the custody case. The videotape was not broadcast

Ms. Farrow's lawyers warned the station against it. The station's management never planned to broadcast it, a spokesman said. The tape was just the latest broadside in the escalating war between the filmmaker and his com-

panion and leading lady of 12 At a press conference on Tuesday, Mr. Allen denied all allegations of abuse. He said they had been dreamed up by Ms. Farrow as part of their child custody fight. He

also acknowledged that he was in love with Soon-Yi Previn. The Connecticut state police confirmed that Mr. Allen was a suspect in a criminal investigation but refused to made public details

of the inquiry. Mr. Dershowitz said Mr. Allen was also being investigated by New York City authorities in a childabuse probe. Sheila Jack, spokeswoman for the city's Human Resources Administration, said she

could not comment Soon-Yi Previn is the adopted daughter of Ms. Farrow and her second husband, the conductor Andre Previn, 63, who told the New York Post that he was sicken-

ed by the affair. "As a father, I don't think I have

a colorful enough vocabulary to tell you what I think of the affair," he said, adding that his opinion of Mr. Allen "gets lower by the day." A source close to Mr. Allen's

lawyers insisted that the affair with "I have come so perilously close Soon-Yi Previn and his custody portrait of Ms. Farrow and Mr. Allen over the last eight months, while they were trying to negotiate

leased the text of the letter. "I see now that I have spent long years with a man who had no respect for child custody. U.S. Food Airlift

To Somalia Stalled

NAIROBI — The first stage of a the country into anarchy.

In Geneva, a scanor United Nahuge effort to relieve starvation in layed because of trees too close to to worsen and criticized the inter-

mali refugees and drought-hit Kenyans. But U.S. Embassy officials said Wajir's airstrip turned out to be too narrow for their C-141 military transports. "Their intention is to go up and ent down some trees," an embassy spokesman said.

France, meanwhile, started airlifting food to one of Somalia's worst-hit famine spots from the Red Sea state of Djibouti. French Embassy officials in Diibouti said a chartered C-130 aircraft carrying 20 tons of food left for Baidoba, in southwest Somalia, the first of 10 flights carrying rice, dried vegeta-bles and cooking oil.

More U.S. soldiers and transport

aircraft were on their way to Kenya's port of Mombasa to join the m phase of the planned airlift of 145,000 tons of food.

The team now hopes to start flights into Somalia next week after checking logistics and security conditions. A total of Il U.S. Air Force aircraft - three C-141s and eight C-130s - are due in Mombasa by the weekend for an operation expected to last 60 days.

The world has been slow to react to a tragedy that has been brewing since clans who ousted Mohammed Siad Barre as president last year

turned on each other and dragged

alia - a U.S. airlift of food to tions official said the refugee crisis northern Kenya - has been de- throughout Africa would continue an isolated airstrip. American officials said Wednesday.

A U.S. military team was due to

UN High Commissioner for Refu little too late. Nicolas Bwakira, the start flying food to the northern gees' director for Africa, said there town of Wajir on Thursday for So-were now 6 million refugees on the were now 6 million refugees on the

> The agency plans to spend \$200 million this year on regular programs in Africa. But Mr. Bwakira said governments had pledged only \$20 million toward a \$130 million appeal for special programs.

> Mr. Bwakira said more than a million Somalis had so far fled famine and fighting and continued to spill over the border into northeastern Kenya at the rate of about a thousand a day. Kenya, which is suffering a devastating drought and having trouble feeding its own population, is now host to nearly 400,000 refugees, about 260,000 of

them Somalis Mr. Bwakira said plans to trans-port relief across the border to persuade Somalis to stay put had been shelved because of security risks. He said violence and banditry was

He said his agency was trying to persuade Kenyan authorities to free a thousand Somalis rounded up over the weekend in Nairobi. The government says they are responsible for an upsurge in crime. The UN agency says many are women and children. (Reuters, AP)

YELTSIN: Promises to Transform Russia Into Land of Property Owners The start of mass privatization has been cians and other Russians of the changes that (Continued from page 1) the architect of Russia's free-market policies,

could be replaced by a more conservative planher who would slow down the pace of change. Conceding that the year since the collapse of communism had witnessed "many disappointments" and "mistakes," Mr. Yeltsin nevertheless insisted that the reform program was moving ahead. He described the voucher plan as a ticket to a free-market economy."

By Stephen Engelberg
New York Times Service

aid flights into Sarajevo, the besieged capital of Bos-

nia-Herzegovina, illustrated the potential that any of

the three sides in the conflict has to provoke Western

The city's lifeline to the outside world was closed

after a British transport plane was menaced Tuesday

by an anti-aircraft weapon from territory nominally

controlled by Croats. The pilot detected that weapons-

control radar had locked on the plane, and he took

It was the first time the sirlift has been suspended

since the UN authorized use of force to protect food and medicine deliveries. There have been suspicions

from the beginning that either the Muslims or the

nations toward military intervention.

ZAGREB. Croatia - The one-day suspension of

"Over the last six months, Russia has acquired a basic education in the free market," he said. "We jumped into the river not knowing how to swim, but at least with did not choke and we did not drown."
"Please understand that participating in

these reforms is no less important than defending the White House last August," he said.

Under the program, all Russian citizens from
the president to infants will receive a voucher worth 10,000 rubles, roughly \$66 at the freemarket rate of exchange but a significant sum in a country where most people earn less than the current ruble equivalent of \$20 a month. If they do not want to buy shares in stateowned companies, they will be allowed to sell the vouchers to banks for investment certifi-

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envisage a faster rate of privatization than anything being carried out in East European countries. In the Communist era, virtually all economic activity in the Soviet Union was controlled by the state — in contrast with countries like Poland and even East Germany, where parts of the economy remained in private

The government's economic plans provide for the complete privatization of small industri-al enterprises and most of the housing stock by 1994. According to Mr. Gaidar, from 50 percent to 60 percent of state-owned industry in Russia is slated for privatization by the end of 1995. The plan does not directly affect agricul-ture, which is dominated by loss-making collec-

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very little has changed, while for others the country has become virtually unrecognizable.

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A year after the putsch, many Russians ap-

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Teaching Johnny to 'Read' Nonverbal Signals

EW YORK - We've all known children like this: They stand too close and touch us in annoying ways; they laugh too loud or at the wrong times; they make "stupid" or embarrassing remarks, they don't seem to get the message when given a broad hint or even told outright to behave differently: they mistake friendly actions for hostile ones, or vice versa; they move too slowly, or too fast, for everyone else; their facial expressions don't jibe with what they or others are saying, or their appearance is seriously out of step with current fashions.

These are children who don't seem to fit in, ones whom other children often label as "nerds," "geeks" r "weirdos," children who are often last to be chosen for a team or group, if they are chosen at all. They have trouble making or keeping friends and tend to become loners or sometimes bullies.

But underneath the "out-of-sync" exterior are intelingent, well-meaning children who are baffled by their peers' rejection. Often their equally baffled parents go out of their way to foster friendships, inviting other children over to play, spend the night or join the family on special outings. Yet their youngsters repeatedly fail to make lasting friends.

According to two presented child psychologists.

According to two renowned child psychologists from Emory University in Atlanta, these children are misfits for reasons that are both identifiable and correctable. Dr. Stephen Nowicki Jr. and Dr. Marshall Greek "dys," for "difficulty," and "semes," for "signals." In testing several thousand children with an evaluation scale they developed to identify various ispects of dyssemia, the Atlanta psychologists found that 10 percent of children have one or more problems in transmitting or receiving nonverbal signals.

The importance of accuracy in such communication is underscored by the fact that we send and receive converbal messages virtually all our waking hours when with other people. Though we may say nothing with words, our facial expressions, gestures, posture. body position and manner of dress continually send very telling messages. When we speak, our tone, velocity and volume of speech convey additional meaning.

Furthermore in their new book, "Helping the Child Who Doesn't Fit In" (Peachtree Publishers), Dr. Nowicki and Dr. Duke point out that people's nonver-bal messages can say much more than words. In faceto-face interactions, studies have found, only 7 percent of emotional meaning is actually expressed with words; 55 percent is sent through facial expressions, posture and gestures, and 38 percent is transmitted through tone of voice. And when verbal and nonverbal nessages do not mesh, the nonverbal message is nearly

So children who cannot express themselves accurately with their body, facial language and voice quality, or who cannot accurately "read" such expressions from others, are likely to get things all wrong.

The Atlanta psychologists have identified six main may not know that slouching conveys diffidence or components of dyssemia. A child may have trouble lack of interest or that pointing at people or standing with only one or with several. But no matter how complex the difficulties, the psychologists have found, parents and teachers can usually help a child develop better nonverbal communication skills. The communi-cation difficulties they describe, and some of the ways they say parents and teachers can help, include:

• Inappropriate rhythms and use of time. Children with this problem are often out of sync with the pace of life and the rhythms of those around them.

Have the child practice speaking or performing some activity at different speeds. Have the child observe and try to match the pace at which someone else is walking. winging, hammening, etc. Describe situations in which it would be appropriate to slow down or speed up a behavior, like having to wait in line or having to catch a plane, and have the child act out the situations.

• Inappropriate use of space or inappropriate touching. Some children always seem to be "io your face": standing or sitting too close, touching people when they shouldn't, touching in the wrong way or place or spreading their belongings into other's space. Point out how people use space under varying circumstances. Have the child stand at one end of a 6-foot spin of macking tape on the floor, then ask him or her to

strip of masking tape on the floor, then ask him or her to walk toward various imaginary people — like a parent, eacher, police officer, stranger, acquaintance or close friend — and stop to talk at an appropriate distance.

• Inability to interpret or use gestures and postures properly. Some children may not realize what they and

with arms folded tightly can annow people. Turn off the sound on a TV show or movie and ask the child to interpret the characters' body language. Misinterpretation or misuse of facial expressions

Some youngsters often fail to make eye contact, or they smile or frown at the wrong times, or they misuoderstand the facial messages sent by others. Cut out pictures of faces and develop a picture dictionary of facial expressions. Have the child prac-

tice facial expressions in the mirror. Take photos or movies of the child's face in various circumstances and have the child interpret the messages conveyed, · loappropriate use of sound quality. A child may say the right thiogs or laugh at the right times but in the wrong ways: too loudly, sofuly, shrilly, harshly or

gently or with the accent on the wrong words. Using a tape recorder, develop an "audio dictionary" of voice tones that reflect different emotions and attitudes. Demonstrate how to say the same words with different meanings, and have the child practice chang-ing the messages by varying the tone and emphasis.

 Inappropriate dress or poor personal hygiene. Some children may be rejected because they dress oddly, bathe infrequently, pick their noses in public or have other unacceptable habits.

Have the child look at people on TV, in public place or in magazine photos to create an awareness of the messages sent by different manners of dress and appearance. Discuss the importance of personal hygiene.

Sibling Conflicts Long-Term Effects of Bickering

By Sally Squires
Washington Pout Service

ASHINGTON — When siblings bicker and fight chronically and violently during childhood, they often experience long-lasting psychological effects as adults. according to University of Michigan researchers.

Virtually all brothers and sisters fight from time to time during childhood, the researchers said, but those who engage in frequent or

violent conflicts with their siblings often experience such long-term emotional wounds as anxiety, depression and low self-esteem as adults no matter whether they were the victims or the abusers of the conflict. "We must focus on this behavior and recognize that the conse-quences linger into adulthood," said Sandra Graham-Bermann, assistant professor of psychology at the University of Michigan and

the lead author of the studies. Not unexpectedly, the researchers said, their studies found that older children were most likely to abuse their younger siblings, and girls were more likely than men to be victims of verbal and physical

In a study of nearly 1,700 University of Michigan undergraduates, the researchers found that roughly one in four students "had a serious problem fighting with their brothers and sisters during childhood." Eight percent of the students said that they had been the one to initiate the serious conflict. Dr. Graham-Bermann reported at the annual meeting of the American Psychological Association. Another 8 percent said that they had been the victim of abuse from their siblings and 7 percent of those studied said that they started fights about half the time and were victims about half the time

Monster of the Deep: Plant or Animal?

By Boyce Rensberger Washington Post Service

Life on Earth takes maoy shapes, and surely one of the strangest is a newly discovered spe-cies whose ability to change bodily form is so dramatic that some biologists express disbelief when they

Sometimes, the aquatic creature seems to behave like a green plant,

The creature is reported to be the cause of several major fish kills.

calmly photosynthesizing in the sun, even as - unplantlike - it spins on its axis and swims through the sea. But if predators threaten. these organisms can transform nemselves inlo gigantic monsters, welling within minotes into a bloblike form at least 100 times bigger. Prey turns predator and swallows enemies whole.

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burkholder said. "I like to think of goes into suspended animation, forming a protective shell around itself and dropping to the bottom where it can wait for years. When more fish happen along, the creature senses their presence, breaks out of its shell and swims free again.

than a scientific curiosity were it have killed fish in concentrations of not for one fact. When the organism detects fish and hatches out, it produces a powerful toxin that kills at least three sizes, depending on the fish, often within minutes, sometimes by the millions.

sibly is present in the Chesapeake Bay, where it may kill crabs too. Marine biologists say it is likely

of toxic algae, some called "red tides," that are causing major fish kills worldwide.

because of increasing pollution dumped in the water, especially phosphates, which seem to encourage the organism's proliferation.
"We know it has at least 15 stages in its life cycle, and we think there are six more that we haven't oven yet," said JoAnn Burkholder, an algae specialist at North Carolina State University, who is leading a major research effort to-understand the organism and its

effects on fish populations. The organism, not yet named belongs to a curious class of algae called dinoflagellates. Dinoflagel-lates are officially considered plants because in some phases of their life cycle they have chloro-plasts and carry out photosynthepasts and carry out photosynthesis. But they are equally qualified to be animals. For example, after killing fish, with its toxin, the cell attaches to chamics of fish fifsh with a stalk, secretes digestive juices through it and then sucks up the limeried fish. rvefied fish.

them as being in a twilight zone between plants and animals." N major fish kills in nature, scientists have counted as

many as 175,000 of these organisms in a single teaspoon-The species would be little more ful of water. In aquariums, they their life history. The biggest is the monster that arises if predators The species, an alga, was report-threaten other life stages. The predaed last month to be the cause of several major fish kills in North Carolina's Pamlico Sound, which lies inside the Outer Banks. It postions and gobble up the protozoans.
"Apparently," Burkholder said,

"there's a line you don't cross with

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choice for the more than 29,000 people who commit suicide in the United States each year. The rate of suicide by firearms increased 36 percent from 1968 through 1985, while self-inflicted death by all other methods remained constant.

lovestigators in a case-controlled study of suicides in the Memphis, Tennessee, and Seattle regions found that the risk of suicide in a home with a gun is almost six times greater than the risk in comparable homes without guns. In homes where a gun was kept loaded, the risk of suicide was nine times greater.

For a Case of Heartburn, Just Roll Over WASHINGTON (WP) — Heartburn, that unpleasant burning sensa-tion in the chest, may be controlled by rolling over in bed, two Philadel-

phia gastroenterologists have shown.

An estimated 10 percent of the American population has heartburn every day, and the American public spends about \$1 hillion a year on over-the-counter heartburn cures and an additional \$3 billion on prescription remedies, which are also used for other ailments, such as utcers. According to Dr. Donald Castell, chief of medicane at Graduate Hospital in Philadelphia and a specialist in esophageal reflux, also known as theartburn, lying on the right side makes heartburn worse. "It makes sense," he said. "Basically, the esophagus enters the stomach from the right. So when you're lying on your right side, the esophagus is below the stomach."

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Herpes Virus Used to Repair Brain Cells

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Gene therapy using a modified herpes virus could someday help in treating a rare disorder that causes severe mental retardation in humans, according to Philadelphia researchers.

A team from the University of Pennsylvania and the Wistar Institute used the herpes virus that causes cold sores in humans to temporarily remaindiscared having calls in mine. The study's results were wablished in

repair diseased brain cells in mice. The study's results were published in the August issue of Nature Genetics. John Wolfe, a geneticist and the study's author, and his colleagues hope

someday to use the technique in treating Sty disease, a rare, inherited disorder caused by lack of an enzyme that breaks down complex sugar molecules. Without the enzyme, called GUSB, the molecules accumulate and the result damages several organs, including the brain.

Risks of Delaying Childbirth Confirmed

CHICAGO (AP) — Delaying motherhood may be safer than ever, but CHICAGO (AP) — Delaying motherhood may be safer than ever, but women who wait until their 30s or 40s greatly increase the likelihood of having stillborn or dangerously small infants, a new study says. There is an increased risk of late fetal death, low birth weight and preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth with a sociated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 percent associated with birth with a sociated with a sociated with a sociated with birth in preterm delivery varying from 30 to 70 perc

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Todd Shipyards Aground, **But Will Firm Break Up?**

By Kurt Eichenwald New York Times Service

EW YORK — Every business has its own unmistakable alarm bell that signals trouble. At restaurants, it is rats in the kitchen; at banks, unruly crowds fighting to get in the door. At publicly traded companies, no alarm is more piercing than a battle between management and the directors' audit committee, the closest thing to an internal watchdog.

That warning was hard to miss in June at Todd Shipyards Corp., when, after a prolonged dispute with management, the entire audit committee resigned to protest a number of management practices, particularly what some directors felt were lavish salaries and perks for senior executives.

It has been downhill since. A group of dissident shareholders

began a proxy battle for control of the shipbuilder — less than a year after a threatened proxy fight ended with the appoint-ment of Todd's current management, led by Burton Borman, huge kitty of cash. the new chairman.

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Todd sued the dissidents, led by James A. Mactier, an investor from Omaha, and when other

by James A. Mactier, an investor from Chana, and when other investors proposed a shareholder vote on limiting management perks or selling the company, Todd sued them, too.

Matters took the most surprising turn when the company, which emerged from bankruptcy in late 1990, filed a financial analysis from Salomon Brothers that concluded Todd was almost worthless because of supposed liabilities.

Investors have watched the unfolding drama with a combination of awe and dismay. "They have set a few precedents here," said John C. Boland, manager of Remnant Partner LP in Baltimore, which invests in companies that have emerged from bankruptcy. "I have never seen an entire audit committee of a New York Stock Exchange company resign before, and I have never seen a company file an opinion saying that they aren't worth what people think."

At stake in the multiple lawsuits and bids for control is a huge

kitty of cash. Todd has an overfunded pension scheme as well as some \$65 million in cash reserves. A number of shareholders say Todd should just liquidate and divvy up the cash. But the current managers, who have made several attempts at deal-making, see the money as something that can be used to

convert Todd into a vehicle for takeovers. The Salomon report concludes that the only way to truly enhance shareholder value is through successful acquisitions, a plan that would require a lot of faith and patience by its holders.

Bundesbank Easing Gesture

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatch

FRANKFURT - Germany's central bank acted Wednesday to ease worries that it might be planning higher interest rates when it made an unexpectedly large amount of funds available to the domestic money market.

But neither this nor a 7.7 percent decline in the U.S. merchandise trade gap in June were able to prevent the dollar from falling through the symbol-ic barrier of 1.4550 Deutsche marks in late Europe-

Dealers said this raised expectations that the dollar would be likely to remain under pressure through the rest of the week.

In Frankfurt, the cost of short-term funds for commercial banks dropped a notch when the Bundesbank injected a net amount of 4.2 billion DM (\$2.88 billion) into the market, largely at a rate of 9.7 percent.

Overnight interest rates had jumped above the bank's 9.75 percent Lombard emergency lending rate last week, when the central bank drained 2.4 billion DM from the market. That had sent ripples of fear through global markets that the Bundesbank might be preparing

for further monetary tightening.
But the anxiety eased with Wednesday's provi-

"This will take some of the pressure off over-night rates," said Hermann Remsperger, chief economist at BHF Bank.

Weak Demand Hurts

Sony, Pioneer Profits

TOKYO - Stagnant world demand and weak economic conditions in the already hurting Japanese consumer electronics industry

poshed profit down at Sony Corp. and Pioneer Electronics industry pushed profit down at Sony Corp. and Pioneer Electronic Corp., while Oki Electric Industry Co. said Wednesday it would cut its work force by 2,000 people because of worsening market conditions. Sony and Pioneer said they expected business to get worse. Sony said its net profit in the April-June quarter fell 36 percent from a year earlier, to 14.93 billion yen (\$118.5 million). It cited overenthusiastic sales forecasts and an increase in research and desclorment outlings. Sales rose 4.2 percent to 900 08 billion yen.

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Sony maintained its May forecast for group net profit of 70 billion

yen for the current financial year, belying rumors in the stock market this week that it would sharply cut its estimate. But Sony did say the business climate was "expected to become more challenging" in

coming months because of the weak world economy and plunging

Speculation of a downward revision had sent Sony's stock plung-

ing 250 yen on Tuesday, to 3,560 yen. The shares closed Wednesday at 3,540 yen on the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

Pioneer, meanwhile, reported a 30 percent drop in net income in the same period, to 4,98 billion yen, despite a 2,3 percent rise in sales, to 144.55 billion yen. "Looking ahead," Pioneer said, "shuggishness in the world economy and intensifying competition in Pioneer's major markets are blocked by horses were present as 1,000 percent.

Analysts said the results were in line with expectations, and shares

Oki, which makes computer chips and communications equipment, said the 6.7 percent reduction in its work force was necessary

to cut costs. The company said it would achieve the cuts by March

would post a pretax loss of more than 20 billion yen in the six months

The company denied a report in the Nihon Keizai Shimbun that it

kets are likely to become more severe as fiscal 1992 continu

in Pioneer fell 10 yea on Wednesday, to 2,660 yea.

"The Bundesbank has backed up its words with deeds. The speculation about higher Lombard rates should go away. There is no reason to believe a rate increase is in the offing

The Lombard rate functions as a ceiling for vernight rates and was left unchanged by the Bundesbank when it raised the more symbolic discount rate to 8.75 percent from 8 percent last month in a move that drew considerable international criticism.

Lombard borrowings, which usually are less than 500 million DM a day, were up to 10 times that amount this past week, and rose as high as 5.9 billion DM on Monday.

That triggered speculation that the Bundesbank. which views the Lombard emergency borrowing facility as a last resort for the commercial banks, facility as a last resort for the cor vas about to raise the Lombard rate.

But many economists in Germany saw virtually no chance of further tightening in the light of rising unemployment and declining business activity. "A rate increase coming now, with the economy ahready cooling off, would draw harsh criticism not only from within Germany but from abroad as

said Martin Wiedmann, Citibank vice presi-On Friday, the Bundesbank deputy president Hans Tietmeyer said be saw no need to change the See BUNDESBANK, Page 10

U.S. Trade Gap Narrows

But Further Gains Depend on G-7 Growth

By Lawrence Malkin International Revold Tribute

NEW YORK — The U.S. government reported Wednesday that exports surged to a record in June, helping to reduce the trade deficit by 7.7 percent even though imports rose in the slow econom nomists warned that the improvement would be hard to maintain unless the other major industrial economies perked up.

Jet aircraft sales — principally an increase from 15 to 27 in the number of planes sold abroad by Boeing Co. — were a major factor in boosting exports by 7.2 percent, to a record \$38.28 billion, after three successive monthly declines. Deliveries slipped again in July, however, and that will be reflected next month.

But imports also rose, gaining 4.7 percent to a record \$44.88 billion; that left a trade deficit of \$6.59 llion, which was narrower than most expectations. Much of the increase stemmed from imports of industrial materials such as metals, fibers and chemicals trial materials such as means, tipers and chemicals ordered in the spring for production in an economy that has since expanded more slowly than expected.

In that sense, the figures give a backward snapshot of the economy, and the future trend will depend heavily on how the U.S. economy performs in relation

to the rest of the world. "Thank God exports did not fall out of bed," said Brian Jones of Salomon Brothers Inc. He pointed out

that the June exports probably reflected stronger economic conditions in the other Group of Seven countries than now exist, and that exports therefore could decline later in the ye

David Wyss of DRI/McGraw Hill pointed out that "our recovery is moving (aster than the other industri-al countries, and when that happens we buy more than we sell." Since many of these orders were based on the stronger economic performance earlier this year but were delivered after the growth slowed down, he said e expected the picture to change later in the year.

Most of the export stimulos that has been under-

girding the economy comes from developing countries, whose share of U.S. exports have increased from 26 percent to 31 percent in three years. In June, the United States ran a surplus of \$334 million with Mexico, but U.S. trade with Europe slipped into an unusual deficit of \$90 million as the European economy slowed in response to high interest rates.

After initial reactions, the trade figures had little

effect ou financial markets, which were watching other things. The dollar crased an initial rise as the foreign exchange markets tested whether central banks wo underpin it with a new round of intervention. In the credit markets, interest rates increased slightly on expectations that President George Bush might suggest tax cuts in his speech at the Republican National Convention on Thursday.

\$100 Million Worth of Words

By Andrew Pollack New York Times Service

TOKYO - Researchers here are entering the home stretch in what is probably the world's most costly and ambitious effort to develop a dictionary. And few

people are likely ever to read it.

The intended audience is computers. The nine-year Electronic Dictionary Project, on which Japan's government and industry are expected to spend more than \$100 million, is developing a dictionary to help ma-chines understand English and Japanese. The main purpose is to help computers translate documents om one language to another.
"I don't think you can find a dictionary as thorough

as ours," said Toshio Yokoi, general manager of the Japan Electronic Dictionary Research Institute, the organization carrying out the project. Mr. Yoko's insti-tute has adopted the slogan; "Dictionaries of comput-ers, by computers and for computers."

Although researchers in Europe and the United States are watching the project with interest and are already starting similar efforts, the work is seen as a strategic technology by the Japanese, for whom business must frequently be conducted in a foreign

language.

The electronic dictionary effort could give computerized translation a big boost. Or instead, it might come to be regarded as a futile attempt to make computers do more than they are capable of doing. Until March, when a prototype of the dictionary is ready, it will be hard to tell.

Because the electronic lexicon is meant to be read by computers, it must contain more, and more fundamental, information than normal dictionaries. A person reading a dictionary, for example, can understand usually fly. But for a computer to understand the same definition, it must also be told what an animal is, what a wing is, and what it means to fly.

Therefore, in addition to 300,000 words and their eanings in both English and Japanese, the electronic dictionary will contain more than 400,000 concepts,

like those of "animal" and "flying."
In Japan, computers are already used to translate documents from one language to another. Most com-puter companies sell such translation systems, using less detailed dictionaries they developed themselves. Computers can perform rough translations of foreign technical papers or patents into Japanese, allowing researchers to determine whether a fuller translation is desirable. The translations can be no more than rough because

the computer systems have trouble choosing the correct definition when a word has more than one meaning.

In theory, at least, having a more complete and sophisticated dictionary should allow for better The Electronic Dictionary Project, which will last until 1994, is funded 70 percent by the Japan Key

Technology Center, a government agency that invests some of the proceeds from the privatization of Nippon Telegraph & Telephone Corp. The other 30 percent is financed by eight Japanese computer companies.

Eventually, the compilation, containing 600 megabytes of information—the equivalent of 75 million words—will be published on one or two CD-ROMs, a

type of compact disk used to store computer data. The big question is whether the huge effort will be worth it.

"In the past they were in a trial-and-error period," said Makoto Nagao, a professor of electrical engineering at Kyoto University who is considered Japan's foremost specialist on natural-language processing.

Part of the challenge is to get eight competing companies to cooperate while each is simultaneously pursuing its own translation profess. "We standard treather"

sid Michiyuki Ucnohara, executive adviser to NEC Corp., one of the participants, "but behind the scenes fighting each other."

Heritage Bank for Savings, a Hol-yoke, Massachusetts, bank that has a plan for raising more capital, but is now below the 2 percent level.

"But at times like now, when real

estate markets have stabilized and banks are benefiting from lower

interest rates, it is exactly the

wrong thing to do, as far as the federal taxpayer is concerned."

After Loss, Hafnia Defaults

LONDON - Hafnia Holding A/S, the Danish insurance company, halted payments to its creditors Wednesday and asked for suspension of trading in its shares and warrams on the stock exchanges in London, Frankfurt and Copenhagen,

Hafnia Holdiog said it would establish a new holding company, Hafnia Holding of 1992 A/S. All insurance and banking activities would be transferred to the new holding company, but not debts. Hafnia said its default was limited to the parent holding company, not its operating subsidiaries.

The Danish insurer said it obtained a court order to stop payments after its accounts for the first half of the year showed it had a negative capital base of about 100 million Danish kroner (\$17.34 million).

Hafnia Holding issued new shares in July for 1.9 billion kroner. But their value was реа ош оу асргестацоп See HAFNIA, Page 11

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Bank Closings Fall Below FDIC Estimate

By Michael Quint
New York Times Service

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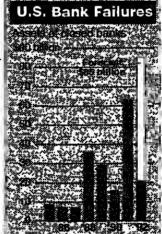
NEW YORK — Earlier this year, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp. warned that 200 banks with combined assets of more than \$80 billion would fail this year. After seven months, however, only 70 banks with \$20.9 billion of assets have failed, far below the rate the FDIC forecast.

But even as banking specialists debate how much the slowdown stems from election-year politics and how much from the palliative effects of the lower interest rates more profitable, the FDIC is warning that tough regulations that will take effect Dec. 19 will result in a fluory of bank closings.

After Dec. 19, regulators must either start closing banks whose shareholder capital drops below 2 percent of assets or provide good reasons why they are letting them stay open. A good reason, FDIC officials said, would be a viable plan for a mich memory or infusion. plan for a quick merger or infusion of fresh capital. Under current law, state and fed-

eral regulators do not usually close banks unless they are insolvent. A bank is insolvent when the value of its assets, such as loans and securities, is not equal to the total of its capital plus what it owes depositors.

FDIC, estimated that based on the agency's latest information a num-



(UPI, AP, Reuters)

while there is at least some theoreti-cal value left," said Robert F. Mia-livich, assistant director for bank supervision at the FDIC. "If you wait until the bank has zero capital, it has long been proved that it has a negative value as soon as it is

closed."
The 2 percent rule is intended to reduce the FDIC's losses from failed banks.

William Taylor, chairman of the

ber of banks with assets of \$30 billion to \$45 billion would be affected by the rule changes. Ferguson & Co., an Irving, Tex-as, consulting firm, found that 54

banks with \$17.3 billion of assets failed to meet the 2 percent test. Notwithstanding the predictions for many more closings at the end of this year — or maybe in part because of the predictions - accusations that regulators are playing politics with bank failures remain

Representative Henry B. Gonzalez, Democrat of Texas, who is chairman of the House Banking Committee, is among those who suggest that banking regulators may be delaying the closing of weak banks in the runup to the November elections.

Mr. Gonzalez said in June that the slow pace of bank closings was reminiscent of the way savings and loans were handled in 1988. Accusations continue that regu-

lators have been too slow to close financially shaky savings institu-tions. Because Resolution Trust Corp., the federal agency that handles failed savings and loans, has lacked the money it needs to handle large failures, some institutions have remained open longer than analysts expected.

Some bankers noted that a poli-cy of early intervention, where banks are closed before they are insolvent, might not always be the least costly way for federal regula-tors to handle weak banks. "It makes a lot of sense when

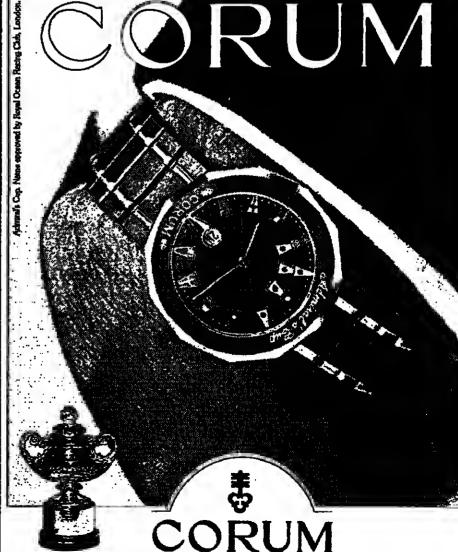
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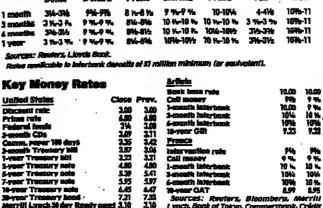
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Bank Stocks Push Wall Street to Loss

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — U.S. stocks fell Wednesday, led by a slump in bank stocks and a burst of computerdriven sell orders.

The Dow Jones industrial aver-

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age closed 22.42 points lower, at 3,307.06. Declining common stocks outnumbered advancing issues by more than a 2-1 margin oo the New

York Stock Exchange. Trading was moderate, with 188.27 millioo shares changing hands, up from 171.5 million on Tuesday. Bank issues fell Wednesday on concern that the possible impeachment of President Fernando Collor de Mello of Brazil may lead to the

uoraveling of a recent debt-reduction agreement with foreign banks. including several major U.S. lenders, traders said. First Chicago fell 1% to 34%, Chemical Banking slumped 1% to 32% and BankAmerica dropped 1%

Citicorp was the most-active Big Board issue down 14 to 163 on

rumors that Fidelity Investments

(Continued from first finance page) Lombard rate and said rates would be reviewed in a few months. DIW, one of Germany's five major economic research centers, said

Foreign Exchange

ny were declining, with lower in-coming orders and falling employment cootioning to dampeo ing in the third quarter.

The ceoter also calculated that Western Germany's gross national product fell an inflation-adjusted 1.5 percent in the second quarter from the previous quarter to stand just 0.5 percentage point above the like period last year.

Some dealers were surprised the dollar did not get a stronger boost from the Bundesbank's action.

was selling Citicorp shares. Fidelity denied the talk.

Buyers were hesitant to step it amid a lack of direction on the U.S. ecocomy and questions over the presidential election, traders said.

The White House denied that President George Bush had specific cabinet officials in miod when he said in an interview that there would be "new faces" in his administratioo if be was re-elected.

Hugh Johnson, chief investment officer at First Albany, said Mr. Bush's comments made the markets oervous. "Wall Street does not like change," he said.

Meanwhile, the bond market rebounded late in the day on news that Mr. Bush would not be calling for big tax cuts in his speech Thursday at the Republican National Convention, analysts said.

The White House press secretary, Marlin Fitzwater, was quoted by a news service as saying that the president's speech did oot include a provision for sweeping tax cuts. The 30-year benchmark bond rose 8/32, to 99 7/32; its yield slipped to 7.31 percent from 7.32.

(Bloomberg, Reuters, UPI)

BUNDESBANK: Easing Move

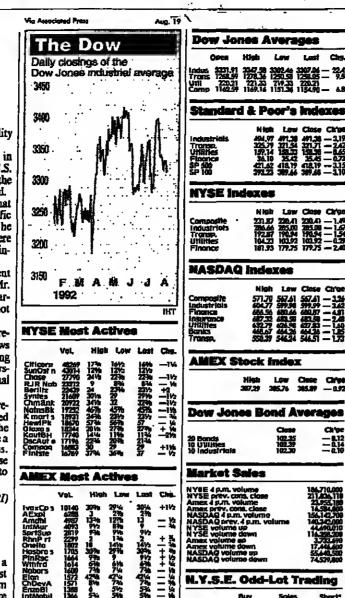
'The dollar's still stuck in a range," said Mark Brett, economist at Barclays de Zoete Wedd. "I'm amazed people haven't paid more attentioo to today's German repo. If the Buodesbank is putting monednesday that the economies of into the system, that means both Eastern and Western Germa-

ey into the system, that means they're not going to raise the Lom-The dollar closed at 1.4535 DM in New York, down from 1.4575 DM on Tuesday. The dollar's alltime low of 1.4440 DM was

reached in February 1991. The dollar rose against the yen. ending at 126.60 yen, up from 126.17 yeo on Tuesday.

But the pound edged up to \$1,9350 from \$1,9310 on Tuesday. The dollar also fell to 1,3033 Swiss francs from 1,3065 francs oo Tuesday and to 4.9355 French francs, down from 4,9440 francs.

(Reuters, Bloomberg)



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U.S. Court Dismisses Lloyd's Lawsuit

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Cor 82,56 88,2 NEW YORK (UPI) - Stock in Commodore International Ltd. - the company that helped make personal computers a household fixture plunged Wednesday, losing nearly a quarter of its value after reporting it lost \$21.9 million in the fiscal fourth quarter of 1992.

Commodore stock fell \$2.125, or 23.3 percent, a share to \$7 in trading

Wednesday on the New York Stock Exchange.
Commodore said it had a loss of \$21.9 million in the quarter ended June 30 in contrast to earnings of \$3.3 million, or 10 cents a share, a year earlier. Revenue plunged 35 percent, to \$140,7 million.

Firm's California Home Sales Soar

LOS ANGELES (UPI) - Kaufman & Broad Home Corp., California's largest single-family home builder, reported Wednesday a 130 percent increase in oew home sales in California - to 1.017 units in the first 11 weeks of its third quarter ended Aug. 31.

The company said, however, its third-quarter earnings would decline due to continued weakness in its French operations.

Ball Corp. to Spin Off Jar Business MUNCIE, Indiana (AP) - Ball Corp. said Wednesday it would spin off its home canning business and several other operations to concentrate

off its nome canning business and service out of the core business in packaging products.

The new company, which has not been named, is to be headed by William L. Peterson, Ball vice chairman and chief financial officer. It will employ about 1.500 people at 11 sites in the United States and Puerto Rico. "Most people know Ball because of our home canning jars, but that accounted for less than 2 percent of sales last year," o spokesman said.

Duracell Announces Initial Dividend

BETHEL, Connecticut (Bloomberg) - Duracell International Inc. said its board approved an initial quarterly cash dividend of 8 cents a share and a plan to repurchase up to 4 million common shares. The battery maker said the buyback amounts to 3.4 percent of its shares outstanding.

Brunei Sultan Remains the Kichest

NEW YORK (AP) — In its annual ranking of the world's top billionaires. Fortune magazine said the sultan of Brunei was the richest persoo in the world for the sixth straight year. The sultan, incidentally, is the best customer of Rolls-Royce Motor Cars Ltd., owning a fleet of 153. His overall wealth was estimated at \$37 billion.

Second place on the list was shared by the survivors of Sam Walton, the founder of the U.S. Wal-Mart discount retail chain, with a combined

total of \$21.1 billion.

The ranks of the billionaires grew to 223 names this year, from 202 the year before. Newcomers include the music label founder David Geffen, with \$1.1 billion, and the youngest on the list, 7-year-old Athina Roussel, granddaughter of the late shipping magnate Aristotle Onassis. The oldest person was the Japanese cinema magnate Tamesaburo Furukawa, 102.

For the Record

Berlitz International Inc. agreed to merge with Fukutake Publishing Co. of Japan. Fukutake is to acquire about 67 percent of Berlitz through its newly formed American unit.

Son Microsystems Inc., a leading vendor of workstations and networking computer servers, was added to the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index to replace Wang Laboratories Ioc., which has filed for bankruptcy protection. Sun's stock price rose \$1, to \$26,125 a share.

MERGE: Takeovers, After a Long Lull, Show Signs of a Global Rebound

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of Hongkong & Shanghai Banking

The \$1.73 billion bid by Cementos Mexicanos for Compania Valenciana de Cementos Portland an unusual hid from a Third World country to a developed natioo -so startled the Mexican stock market that the Mexican company's shares

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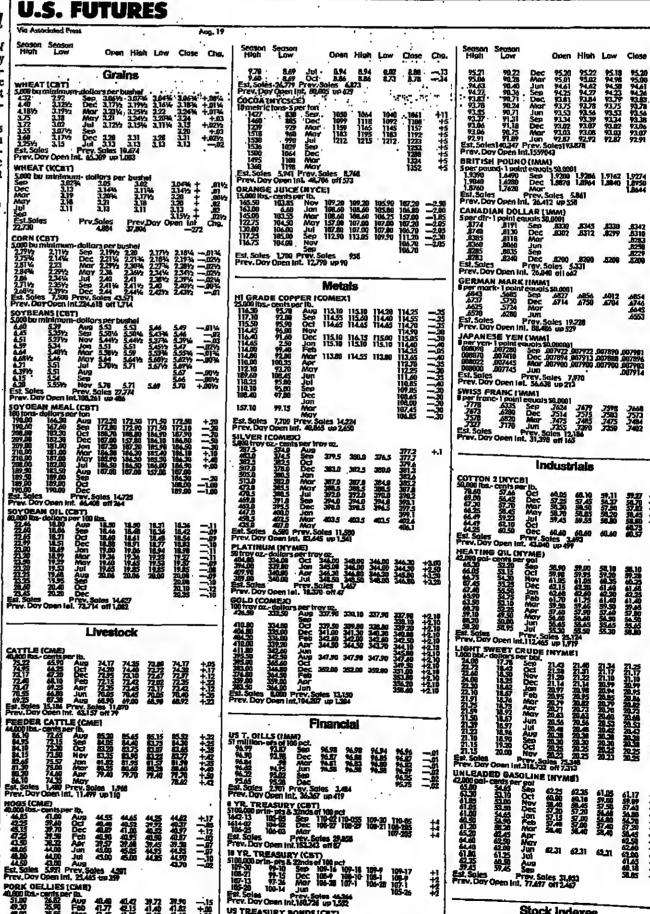
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market, today the biggest players consolidation was the answer to significant industrial overcapaci-

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and acquisitions are taking place in industries with too many competitors and not enough profitable business to go around, investment banking sources said.

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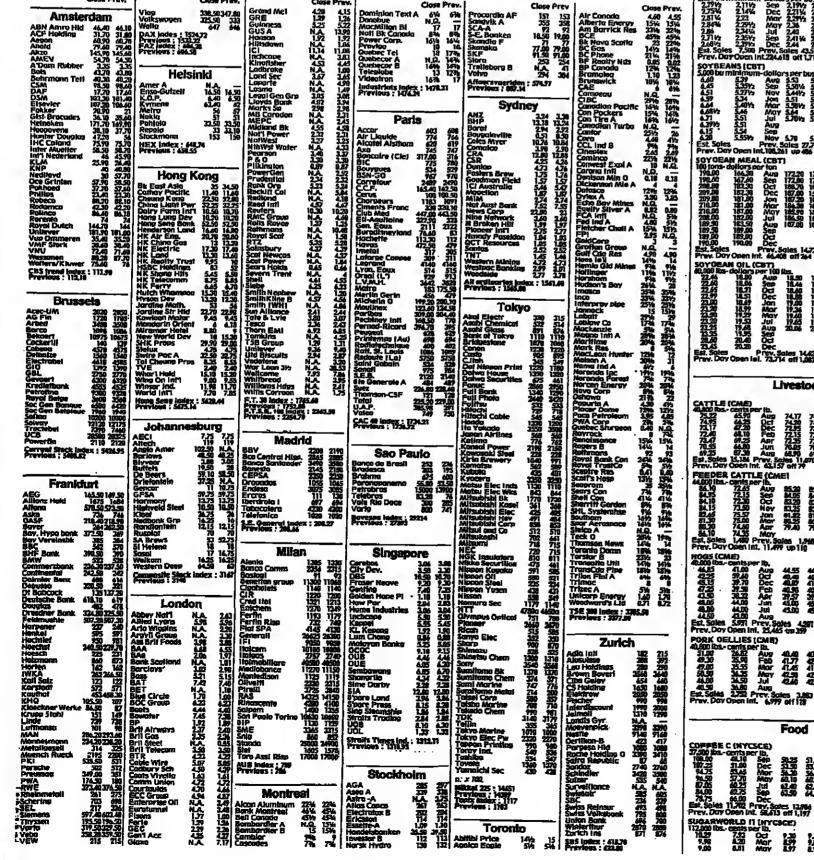
after a hitter fight with the Agnelli family of Italy, and ITT Corp.'s interest in Alcatel NV, purchased by Alcatel Alsthom SA of France for \$3.58 billion.

Unlike the 1980s, when leveraged buyout companies drove the were marked down. Other, more are blue-chip companies jockeying famous names that have been taken for advantage in the global econo-

"M&A is another expression of the global restructuring and con-solidation of industry," said Joseph L. Bower, a professor at the Har-vard Business School. "We are looking at world markets that resemble those at the turn of the century, when massive industrial

U.S. companies totaled \$78.9 billion, a 24 percent increase over the same period last year and the first rise in domestic merger and acquisition activity since 1988. lo the United States, mergers

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Sell Advice Hits Disney On Bourse

PARIS -A negative review by Morgan Stanley & Co. sent Earo Disaey SCA shares

plunging 7.7 percent on the Bourse Wednesday. In London, Morgan began coverage of the stock with a sell recommendation and a forecast that the theme park would have a loss of 207 million francs (\$41.8 million) in the year that ends Sept. 30, 1993.

The shares fell to 76.60 francs, from 83.00. A Morgan analyst said the

theme park "got operating costs very badly wrong in the first six months" of operations.

The analyst said Euro Disney's problems were caused less by admission numbers at its park than by high labor costs and the collapse in the Paris real estate market. "They were anticipating a

lot from property develop-ment, and quite clearly they are not going to get it," the Morgan Stanley analyst said. Annia Hibbert, analyst at Smith New Court Securities, said, "They are unlikely to have any revenues from property development this year.

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LONDON — Britain's two-year recession may have hit bottom, according to growth data released Wotor Co., but the pinch is still being felt at Ford Motor Co. which said it was putting two factories in England on reduced schedules because of falling sales.

"The economy, after a very deep and serious recession, is coming out of that, and the prospects are looking brighter," Treasury Minister Anthony Nelson said after reporting that gross domestic product, ex-cluding oil, rose 0.1 percent in the second quarter, the first rise in 21 months.

Overall gross domestic product shrank 0.1 percent however, making it hard to say the economy was doing more than bumping along the bottom.

"We always expected recovery to be modest and patchy in its early stages," a Treasury spokesman said. But, he added, "We still expect that recovery will become established during 1992."

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Analysts were less enthusiastic about the GDP

figures.
"The 0.1 percent rise is barely cause for rejoicing,"

said Nick Parsons, head of the treasury advisory group at Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce. "It's hard to find dany crumbs of comfort in these figures." Manageric First Accounts to the treasury advisory group at Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce. "It's hard to find dany crumbs of comfort in these figures."

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches Meanwhile, Ford, the largest carmaker in Britain, said its plant at Dagenham would cut production from a five-day to a three-day week next month and its BRUSSELS - The EC farm commissioner, Ray MacSharry, welcomed Wednesday a decision plant at Southampton would move to a four-day week by the United States to hold back such as soybeans and rapeseed, infrom publishing a list of retaliatory troduced two decades ago. "There is no recovery in the economy, which has affected car sales generally," a Ford spokesman said. Recovery was also elusive in stagnant retail sales tariffs in the simmering trade dispute over oilseeds.

data. Retail sales, a key indicator of consumer senti-ment, fell 0.3 percent in July from June. Another company hurt by the recession, BICC PLC. have resolved little during a 60-day reported a drop in pretax profit for the first half and predicted its major markets would continue to feel the pinch of poor economic conditions until next year. consultation period imposed by the General Agreemen) on Tariffs and Trade that ended on Tuesday, pinch of poor economic conditions until next year.

BICC, a cable and construction company, said pretax profit in the six months ended June 27 fell to "bit list" of \$1 billion-worth of European wines, liqueurs, cheeses and earlier, at the upper end of analysts' expectations. earlier, at the upper end of analysts' expectations.

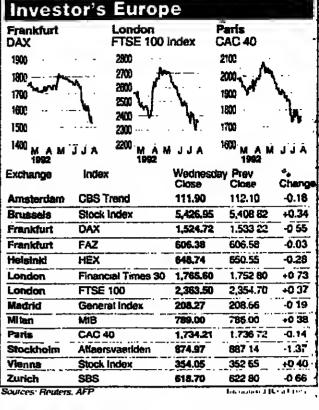
(Reuters, AFP) pose retaliatory tariffs.

Washington has threatened to impose the tariffs in response to the Community's refusal to overhaul its system of subsidizing oilseeds

Even though the United States imported EC goods on which it and European Community seem to have resolved little during a 60-day cut to \$1 billion to reflect the sum U.S. soy producers claim they have lost in exports because of subsidies The Community, which has indicated it would respond in kind if the tariffs were imposed, has asked for the dispute to be put on the agenda of a GATT council meeting

on Sept. 29. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

On June 9, the U.S. government released a list of \$2 billion-worth of Exchance **CBS Trend** Amsterdam Brussels Frankfurt Frankfurt FAZ Helsinki HEX



Unilever NV said it was in advanced talks to purchase Im. van den Berg.

The Netherlands reported that registered unemployment fell to a
provisional average of 278,000, or 3.9 percent of the work force, in the
three-month period ending with July, from 286,000, or 4 percent, in the

Manweb PLC said one of its units is forming a wind generation project

East Germany's consumer prices fell 0.1 percent in July from June but rose 13.1 percent from a year earlier, the Federal Statistics Office said.

BTR PLC's acquisition of Pirelli SpA automotive units in Germany.

Blaymberg, 4FX, Reuters

France, Spain and Britain was approved by the European Commission.

a trading company for Dutch frozen food and ice cream products.

France Shows Drop in Output

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PARIS — France's industrial production fell 0.4 percent in June from May and was down 0.5 percent from a year earlier, the national statistics office, INSEE, said Wednesday.

The decline, which followed a 1.5 percent drop in May, was due mainly to a 1.4 percent fall in the energy sector, INSEE said. Manufacturing output fell 0.1 percent in the month and was down 0.6 percent from June 1991. "This confirms that the second quarter was definitely weak," said David Thwaites, economist at Crédit Lyonnais Securities. "We've seen that on the demand side with consumer spending, and it's disturbing to

The Finance Ministry, meanwhile, said the seasonally adjusted current account swung to a deficit of 4.4 billion francs (\$887 million) in June from a 9.1 billion franc surplus in May. But in the half, the deficit shrank to 1.9

billion francs from 31.1 billion a year earlier. (Bloomberg, Renters, AFX)

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Jensen: Wrecker Waits Down the Road

LONDON - It ranked as one of the longest demises in automotive history, but industry spe-cialists said Jensen Car Co., which went into administration Tuesday, is unlikely ever to see the light of day as anything more than a spare parts and service company.

Jensen, once one of Britain's proudest automotive names, had managed to sell only two of its £112,000 (\$216,000), four-seat sports cars in the last year. Jensen, founded in the 1930s when Richard and Allan Jensen made cars for, among others, Clark Gable, has been down this road before.

The company declared bankruptcy in 1976. Un-

cars a year. "They were a maker of bespoke huxury cars that just could not get it together," said Mr. Ludvigsen. Having produced fewer than 100 cars in the last decade, even the prospects for success as a scaleddown supplier of spare parts and services now looks dim.

But Operations Improve

By Barbara Smit

Special to the Herald Tribune ROTTERDAM — Nedlloyd Groep NV said Wedaesday it earned a scant I million guilders (\$608,000) in the first half of 1991,

The income compared with

But the Dutch transport company said that its operating result, excluding results from divestitures. swuag to a profit of 3 million guilders in the first half of this year from a 35 million guilder loss in 1991. Nedlloyd has been concen-trating on its shipping and Europe-

Amsterdam after a deep fall over

HAFNIA:

Hafnia said new holding compa ny would have equity capital of about 5.9 billion kroner and this would be sufficient for Hafnia to

ed to pay off its debts.

Holger Lavesen, the Hafnia president, said that since July 3, the com-

biggest Swedish insurer. Hafnia, which also lost 500 kroaer on other investments in the Danish stock and bond market, said it has been unable to dispose

Seeking to create a Scandinavian

An alliance of Hafnia sharehold-

Nedlloyd Barely Profitable with two other companies that should produce enough energy to power 7,500 homes. Jyske Bank, Denmark's third-largest hank, said it had a loss of 479 million kroner (\$83 million) before taxes in the first half of 1992. compared with pretax profit of 178 million kroner a year earlier. Spain's ministry of agriculture said it will ask European Community authorities for permission to limit potato imports into the country. the last two weeks, rising to 38.00

altogether, becoming merely Jensen Parts & Service Co. "They bought some parts and had others made and one day came up with the bright idea to make cars again," said an auto industry consultant, Karl Ludvigsen. That was in the mid-1980s. Even then, however, the company's ambitions

were modest - aiming to build and sell a dozen

guilders from 37.70 on Tuesday. Han Vermulen, senior trader at Van Meer James Capel, said, "We were not really satisfied with the results, but all the difficulties had citing weak economic growth and share price." competition.

million guilders in the like 1991 period, and revenue fell to 3.2 bil-lioa guilders in the latest period from 3.3 billion in 1991.

an road transport activities.

Nedlloyd shares edged higher in

Halts Payments

(Continued from first finance page) securities holdings and by provisions for bad debts.

Hafnia did not say how it intend-

pany had losses of more than 700 million kroner on its holdings of a 33.5 percent stake in Baltica Holding A/S, a rival Danish insurer, and 14.8 percent of Skandia AB, the

of its stakes in the two other insur-

insurance alliance with the Norwegian insurer UNf Storebrand last spring, Hafnia acquired a stake in Skandia. The plans were thwarted by Skandia management, which left Hafnia looking for a buyer for its stake in the Swedish insurer.

ers took over three seats on Hafnia's board and offered to invest 1.5 billion kroner in Hafnia on the basis of an issue of shares. The investors thereby managed to reject a takeover bid by Skandia. (Bloomberg, AFX, AP)

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FIDELITY DISCOVERY FUND Société d'Investissement à Capital Variable Kansallis House

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L-1021 Luxembourg NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of FIDELITY DISCOVERY FUND, a société d'investissement à capital variable organised under the laws of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg (the "Fund"), will be held at the registered office of the Fund, Karsallis House, Place de L'Etoile, Luxembourg, at 11:00 a.m. on August 27. 1992, specifically, but without limitation, for the following purposes:

Presentation of the Report of the Board of Directors. Presentation of the Report of the Auditor.

Approval of the balance sheet and tacome statement for the fiscal year ended April 30.

Discharge of the Board of Directors and the Auditor.

Election of six (6) Directors, specifically the re-election of Messrs. Edward C. Johnson 3d, Barry R. J. Bateman, Charles T. M. Collis, Charles A. Fraser, Jean Hamilius and H. F. van den Hoven, being all of the present Directors.

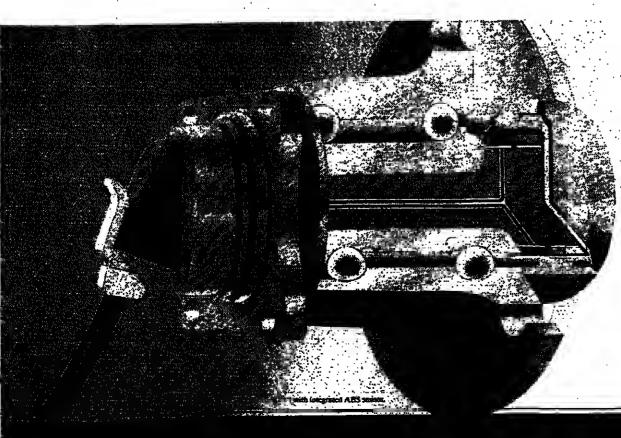
Election of the Auditor, specifically the election of Coopers & Lybrand, Luxembourg. Declaration of cash dividends on the Fund's Class A and Class B shares in respect of the fiscal year ended April 30, 1992, and authorisation of the Board of Directors to declare further dividends in respect of fiscal year 1992 if necessary to enable the Fund to qualify for "distributor" status under United Kingdom tax law.

Consideration of such other business as may properly come hefure the meeting.

Approval of the above items of the agenda will require the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares present or represented at the meeting with no minimum number of shares present or represented in order for a quorum to be present. With respect to item 7, in order to approve the dividends, each class will vote separately its approval of the dividend to be paid on shares of that class; the affirmative vote of a majority of the shares of that class present or represented at the meeting will be required in addition to the affirmative vote of a majority of the cumbined classes present or represented at the meeting. Subject to the limitations imposed by the Articles of Incorporation of the Fund with regard to ownership of either or both Class A and Class B shares which constitute in the aggregate more than three percent (3 %) of the outstanding shares of both classes, each share is emitted to one vote. A shareholder may act at any meeting by proxy.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS





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More ABS, More SKF

As the demand for ABS increases, SKF

continues to strengthen its market position in the important automotive area. Contracts have been concluded for new husiness in the automotive segment in the USA and Europe; new markets, such as South Korea, have been penetrated. SKF Interim Statement Group sales for the first

six months of 1992 amounted to \$2,412 nutlion, compared with \$2,309 nutlion during the first half of 1991. Of this amount: external sales by Dvako (Special Steels) accounted for \$219 million. The Comp was \$-33.3 million compared with \$10.6 million in the first six phantles of the preceiling year. Included in the 1992 Group; figures is \$-54.8 million resulting In an Ovako, which was reported as an associated company in 1991.

Group bearing sales continued to develop favorably within the automotive sector in the USA and Hunge, which means that SKF sales in this sector hace rised isuninuously for more than a year. Signs that a cautions recovery has beginn were also noticeable in the aftermarket.

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For a copy of the 1992 Half Year Report, please contact: SKF Group Public Affairs. \$415-50 Canteborg, Sweden. Tel ±46-31-37 [0100]

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, BHP Bids for Foster's Stake Offer Meant to Put Troubled Brewer in Play

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
MELBOURNE — Broken Hill Pty. offered Wednes-

day to buy almost a third of Foster's Brewing Group Ltd. from the bankrupt International Brewing Holdings Ltd. for 1.5 billion Australian dollars (\$1.08 billion) and securities, a 38.2 percent premium to the market price.

BHP, the biggest listed Australian company, offered cash and shares in an International Browing subsidiary for the Foster's stake, which it does not intend to keep. BHP is owed 1 billion dollars by International Brewing. which is in receivership and was formerly controlled by John Elliott, who had been chairman of Foster's.
Ferrier Hodgson & Co., the receiver for International Brewing, said BHP wanted to buy 720.31 million Foster's.

ter's shares plus options on 599 million additional shares. It said the BHP offer was worth about 2.39 dollars per share, plus 60 million dollars for the options, which are supported to the options, and the same plus and the sam which are exercisable at 2.19 a share until April 1993. Only 62 million options cover currently outstanding Foster's shares; the options would cover 21 percent of Foster's enlarged equity if they were exercised.

Foster's shares fell 10 cents, to 1.73 dollars each, on

Besides the cash, BHP offered its 27 percent stake of preference shares in Inar Pty., a partial subsidiary of International Brewing. The Foster's shares it offered to buy are held by the International Brewing subsidiary International Brewing Investments. The parent

International Brewing owns an additional 5.55 percent of Foster's.

John Prescott, BHP managing director, said: "The offer is consistent with the company's objective of realizing the full value of BHP's investment in laternational Brewing Investments. It also facilitates the earliest possible resolution of the issues surrounding

"The action we have taken today," he added, "advances the process of restoring value to Foster's and gives all other serious bidders an opportunity to put Itemative proposals to the receivers and managers."

Earlier this year, BHP sent receivers into International Brewing Investments. BHP said at the time the action was necessary to protect its investments, after International Brewing Investments failed to develop a repayment plan on debts to BHP and a banking syndicate that is owed about 1.2 billion dollars.

Graeme McGregor, a BHP spokesman, said the company's offer was meant to raise interest in Fos-ter's. BHP's offer will being the process to a head, and there is a reasonable time frame for any other bids," he

Andrew Love, representing receivers and management, said the BHP offer was "very encouraging," but it was not immediately accepted. "We have an obligation as receivers to test the market and seek out alternative offers," Mr. Love said. (Reuters, Bloomberg, AFP)

India Debt Put At \$93 Billion In Five Years

NEW DELHI - India's external debt will rise to \$93 billion in five years from \$74 bilhion now, mostly because of increased foreign aid, the World Bank said.

In an annual, confidential re-port to India's aid donors, made available to Reuters on Wednesday, the bank said India would need about \$10 billion a year for five years to finance its current account deficit, repay debt and increase foreign-exchange reserves. "Over the next five years,

India will require an average of about \$5 billion each year to make scheduled payments on existing debt," the report said. India's current-account deficit for the year ending in March is expected to double to 56 billion, mostly due to the lifting of import curbs.

Taiwan Warns Cathay On China Investments

TAIPEI — The Taiwan govern-ment, worried by rising outflows of capital to China, warned the Cathay conglomerate on Wednesday not to invest there.

The head of the Cathay insurance and construction group, Tsai Wan-lin, had announced the day before that he planned to visit Beijing. Shanghai and Hangzhou to explore investment opportunities.

Cathay, with assets estimated at over \$3 billion, is Taiwan's second-

largest private group.

"Aside from engaging in insurance and financial services, I'm thinking of setting up a cement factory," said Mr. Tsai, whose conplomerate includes Cathay Life Insurance Co., Taiwan's biggest life insurer. He said he might also develop land in China.

Analysis said a move by the Cathay into China could trigger a flood of Taiwanese investment by major corporations. Such investment now totals over \$3 billion, but most projects involve small companies.

Chiang Pin-kung, Taiwan deputy economics minister, responded Wednesday by saying the government would enforce its restrictions on economic links with China.

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"If Cathay applies to invest on the mainland, we will reject its applica-tion. If Cathay invests secretly, we will punish it," Mr. Chiang said. Mr. Tsai said he would not challenge official policy, but he urged the government to lift the curbs. ■ Hypermarkets for China

President Enterprises Corp. of Taiwan and Carrefour SA of France are exploring the possibility of opening hypermarkets in China, with preliminary plans calling for the giant food and department stores to be opened to cities such as Beijing, Shanghai and Guangzhou, Reuters reported from Hong Kong.

"I think now is the right time for setting up hypermarkets in China"

setting up hypermarkets in China," said President's chief executive, Kao Ching Yuan, after a trip to China. President runs six hypermarkets

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Checking Out of Regent Hotels: How Chairman Was Bumped

By Laurence Zuckerman

International Herald Tribune HONG KONG - Sitting in the study of his elegant mansion overlooking Hong Kong Island, Robert H. Burns, who until two weeks ago was chairman and chief executive of Regent International Hotels, mused over how he lost the company he founded in 1970 and built into one of the leading names to the luxury hotel business.

"I had no intention of walking away from Regent," he said. "I just wanted to give it strength, so having to give it up is very, very hard."

Earlier this mooth, EIE International, the Japanese real estate development company that was Mr. Burns's ex-partoer, sold Regent to Four Seasons Hotels Inc., the Toronto-based proprietor of another five-star toternational hotel compaoy. Mr. Burns tendered his resignation at the request of the Four Seasons chairman and president, Isadore Sharp. In what might be seen as the businessworld equivalent of a classic tragic drama, Mr. Burns's departure was the result of a chain of events that he himself set in motion. The story is full of incidents of miscommunication, unfortunate timing, and most of all, the hubris of some in the hotel property business in the 1980s.

Regent International ran hotels in Guam, Manila, and Bangkok before open-

ing The Regent on the waterfront of Hong Kong's Kowloon Peninsula in 1980. By 1986, The Regent had become one of Hong Kong's hotels of choice and Regent International was on its way to establishing nine other properties, mostly in Asia. The same year, United Airlines made a bid to buy the company, and Mr. Burns's two partners decided to sell. But he was not interested. With the help of Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, he exercised a right of first refusal and bought out his

To relieve the subsequent financial burden, the bank arranged for the sale of

partners

30 percent of the business to EIE International and took 5 percent itself.

Flush with cash from loans backed by Japan's hyperinflated property market, EIE helped Regent embark on a global expansion. "They really wanted to be-come involved in high-end, long-term real estate, so we did some things that wouldn't have been feasible had it not been for that kind of money being available," Mr. Burns said.

Two of the most lavish projects, now nearing completion, were the conversion of a former convent on the Via Gesu in Milan into a 98-room, \$100 million huxnry hotel and the development of the New York Regent on 57th Street in Manhattan at a cost of \$400 million.

The partnership with EIE, according to Mr. Burns, was extremely amicable. Last year, when he decided he wanted to take some cash out of the business, he and EIE executives agreed to a formula under

which the company would buy out his EIE announced it would exercise its right

stake over several years.

But by then EIE, reportedly buckling under \$7.5 billion in debt, was effectively being run by its leaders, principally the Long Teom Credit Bank of Tokyo, which

vetoed the proposal.

Mr. Burns said he then hired Morgan
Stanley & Co. to find a buyer for his 65 percent stake who could also help fund Regent's continued expansion. At one point there were as many as 22 suitors, before Mr. Burns accepted an offer of nearly \$100 million from Wharf (Holdings) Ltd., a Hong Kong concern that owns the Omni Hotel chain.

I didn't take some gambling syndicate or some European airline, which would have loved it," Mr. Burns said. "I took the home-based blue chip for less money because they wanted to build a huxury chain in Europe and I thought they were compatible with the Japanese banks." As the deal was about to close, however,

of first refusal to buy Mr. Burns's stake. Soon after, he learned that EIE had been in extensive negotiations to resell Regent to Four Seasons. He put together a counteroffer, which he says EIE acknowl-

Four Seasons paid \$122 million for Regent International Hotels, including its 25 percent stake in the valuable Regent Hong

edged was more lucrative, but it was too

Kong property. According to a Four Seasons spokes-man, the new partnership allows both companies to dilute the heavy losses on their books registered by the poor-per-

forming properties while waiting for the international real estate market to recover. The deal also makes Four Seasons the undisputed leading operator of huxnry hotels worldwide.

"It's a fantastic deal for Four Seasons," Mr. Burns acknowledged.

Very briefly:

w Fletcher Challenge Ltd. swung to a net loss of 157.5 million New Zealand dollars (\$84.9 million) for the financial year ended June 30, after a year-earlier profit of 481.9 million dollars, due to losses in Northean Hemisphere pulp and paper operations and property writedowns.

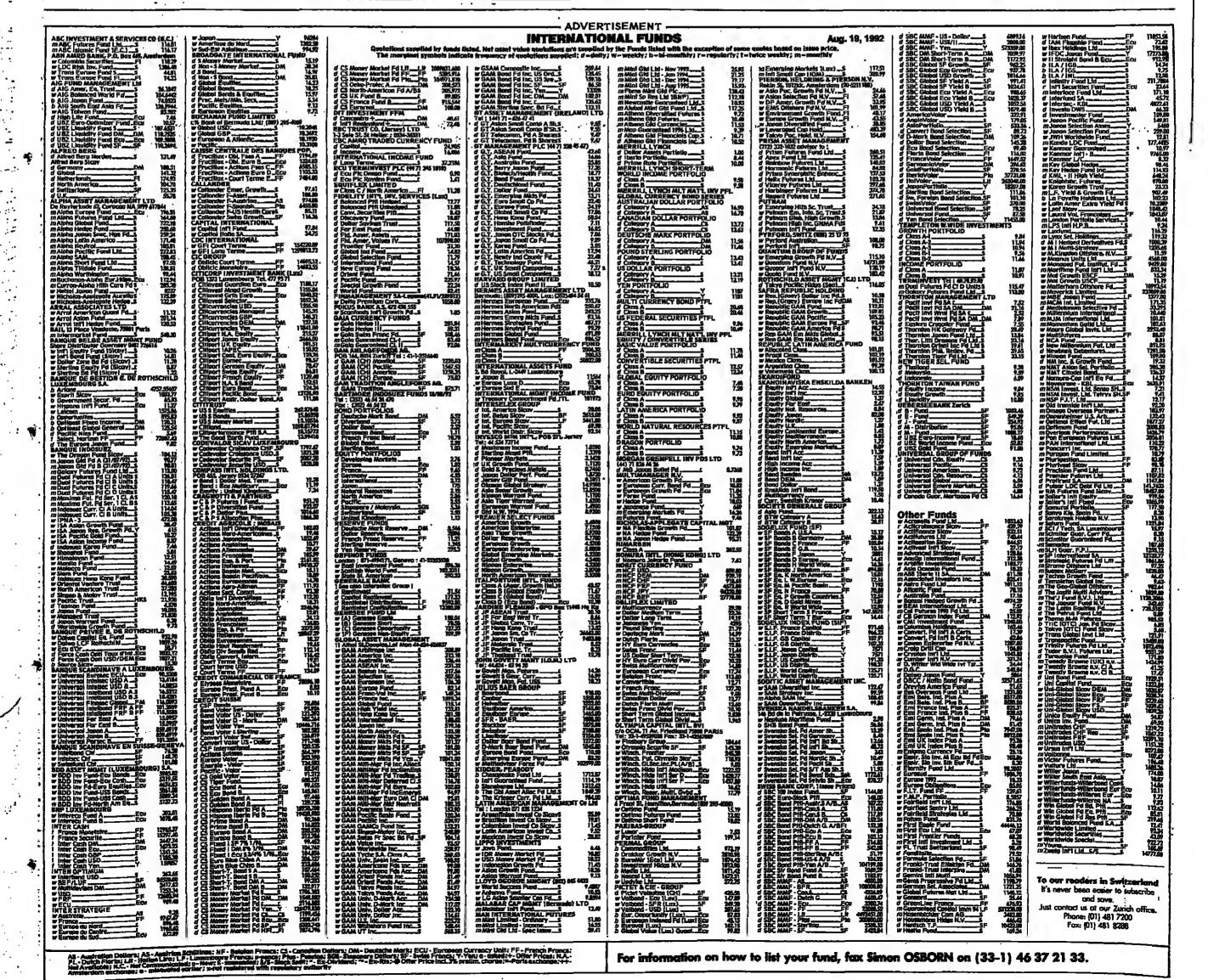
 China plans to expand its chemical industry by 9 to 10 percent annually with the help of foreign capital and technology, and to open the domestic market to foreign companies that participate, China Daily reported.

Chinese Communist Party and government buildings at the tourist center of Hangzhou, in Zhejiang Province, are to be auctioned and foreigners can bid, the China Youth Daily said.

 Malaysia and other rubber-producing countries are preparing to open talks in 1993 with consumer countries on the International Natural Rubber Agreement, which expires next year, a Malaysian official said. Japan is sending a mission to the Sakhalin and Kamchatka regions of Russia from Sept. 2-11 to study market and investment possibilities.

 Israel said it had initialed its first trade accord with China, essentially a most-favored-nation agreement, and the Industry Ministry said Israel would indirectly export goods worth about \$30 million to China this year. China has begun detaining people who entered the Shenzhen special

economic zone without permits in search of applications to purchase stock, helping spark riots last week. The detainees are to be sent home. Japan has sent 13 securities specialists to China for 11 days to instruct Chinese officials in Beijing, Shanghai and Shenzhen on topics such as how a stock exchange is managed and the role of institutional investors.



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First and 10, Again, for Walsh

By Michael Martinez New York Times Service

PALO ALTO, California --Morning on the first day of practice. The sun is up, dew is on the grass and Bill Walsh is watching things from a distance, looking at names and numbers on a piece of . paper, strolling from one group of activity to the next, taking notes in his mind and moving quietly along.

Everything seems perfect. The embrace of a new day, the feel of a new team, the start of a new challenge. Except that Walsh has been this way before.

Fourteen years after he left Stanford University's football program and created the San Francisco 49ers pro dynasty, be is back again, watching young players. molding and shaping a team.

But this is where he wants to be. Walsh has said it so often that it sometimes feels as if he has never left, to a way, he hasn't. He is back in the same athletic

he occupied in 1977 and 1978, looking out the same small win-dows, still blissful and content and eager for the next practice. "This is what I want to do," he

building, in the same small office

says, "t know that."
Maybe this is all Bill Walsh has

ishington Post Service WEST CHESTER, Pennsylvania - Is Randall

Cunningham hack? That is the bonus question, the one on which the National Football Conference East-

ern Division title could hang. In one sense be definitely is: back in uniform, back

from knee surgery that put his career as a quarterback

in jeopardy, back from oblivion, back as the leader of

the Philadelphia Eagles offense.
But is be really back? The old Randall Cunningham.

The ooe who has often performed those body-bending magic tricks on the field, who used to jump over

people with the greatest of ease, the one who caused

be able to do at this point. I've been able to get out of the

pocket and move around. I wanted to let myself know that I can still do it, still run and scramble around."

"There are still things I want to accomplish," he

said, "like getting my endurance level up to where it

Cunningham, 29, was hurt last season on the first

play of the second quarter when a Green Bay lineback-

nsive coordinators to break out in rashes, "I feel pretty good," said Cunningham, "I've been able to go out and do some things that I didn't think I'd

with the 49ers, three Super Bowl victories, countless personal honors and a momentary stop in the television broadcast booth, They all led him back to Stanford, where he melds with the palm-lined walkways like some kind of professor of philosophy in shorts and sneakers.

Walsh is in full-tilt preparation now, conducting two-a-day work-outs under a reientless summer sun and aiming toward the Cardinal's Aug. 26 scason opener against Texas A&M at Anaheim, California.

He is drawing plays on black-boards for his coaches and viewing hours of videotape, "It's what I really enjoy," he said. "The prepa-ration, the Xs and Os, the planning." all the tactics of football that I

Sitting in the NBC broadcast booth was fine — offering astute analysis and tossing out glib humor met his needs — but Walsh concedes now that he never felt fulfilled in television. It was coaching and teaching that be missed all along, and now be has it again.

What drew him back, perhaps as he could coach at a higher, more

Cunningham Is Back, but How Far?

Stanford's players may lack pure athletic ability, Walsh is fond of saying, but they'll spot any major college team several points in an IQ test and still come out ahead.

It is pride - not a dig at other Division I-A schools — when Walsh says, "If a person was looking to build a reputation or a record, he'd coach at USC or Oklahoma or Washington.

Nor is be being particularly snobbish when he says: "Stanford athletes are extremely bright and able to assimilate what we teach and put it into action very effectively. Collectively, we can learn more than most other teams. I told them to turn to page 70 in the playbook, and they got it. If you said that in the NFL, they'd still be looking for their playbooks."

There has been little time for players to stand in awe of Walsh. He has moved away from the style of his predecessor, Dennis Green, taking a more casual and open ap-proach to practices. He has told them to call him by his first name.

"Player by player, they're begin-ning to relax," Walsh said. "Those I've been in contact with the most much as anything, was the chance are most relaxed. I expect that to work in an environment where some are still uneasy with me, but each day it becomes less of a con-

er, Bryce Paup, popped him in Philadelphia's season opener. The Eagles' season, once full of promise, ended with a 10-6 record, and many wondered if a trip

to the Super Bowl would have been in order if Cun-

surgery, most of it leg exercises for four to five hours a day. Now Cunningham sports a knee brace he still is adjusting to. He will wear it for at least this season.

He said the toughest part of sitting out last season was "watching and not being able to participate."
"I didn't enjoy it all," he said, "because you don't feel a part of the action. You're watching, you're not part of the game plan. I wasn't involved in any decisions, or what play to so with I was like an entider a fen.

what play to go with. I was like an outsider, a fan. I never want to be in the position again."
"Yet, I learned a lot," he said. "I learned to be patient,

to be confident. And also I learned to keep the faith.

When my mind plays tricks on me I have to be strong. I

can't have negative thoughts, only positive thoughts."
He adds, "I'm not going to change anything, I'm
going to go out and play the same way I did. If I have

to dive over someone for a TD, I'll do it. If I have to

put on a move and break down and dive to the ground,

ingham had not missed the season.

There were months of painful rehabilitation after the



Larry Bird, announcing his retirement but sticking with Celtics.

Not 'Just Another Player'

By Michael Wilbon hungton Post Service

Larry Bird never suffered fools easily. Unfortunately, a lot of them chose to try to diminish his accomplishments because he is a white man competing in a league dominated by blacks. Isiah Thomas once said if Larry Bird were black, he'd be "just another player," Thomas,

on that particular day at least, was a fool. If you couldn't appreciate the Birdman's skills, his guile, his ruthlessness and passion as a basketball player because he's white, you were just as sorry and lost as the bigot who insisted that Jackie Robinson didn't belong in lily white baseball because he was black. f once asked Magic Johnson about Bird, and about the reluctance of many black fans to give Bird his due and he said: "It's sad, really sad, You don't see the players doing that. Anybody who had to play against him would have better sense than to say that.

"It's sad that race hlinds people to the point that they can't see what they're supposed to see. Am't nobody like Larry Bird and you can believe what I'm telling you."

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greatest white player in its evolution. He is many more things, but that is just the most obvious thing

He was blessed, not so much by his physical skills taken for granted, if not delightfully ignored, by his public — but by the existence of basketball. To watch how Larry Bird has outgrown his own unspoken expectations, as naturally as the boy outgrew pair after pair of pants, is to understand that his fortune was in the invention of

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hadn't been invented? Bird mentioned be wanted to be a state trooper once. That explains much about him.
The National Basketball Association was only 11 years old when he was born in 1956 to Joe and Georgia Bird in West Baden, Indiana. The champion that season was, for the first time, the Boston Celtics, led by its rookie center, Bill Russell. Bird, like a wave a thousand miles behind the one crashing to the shore in Boston, grew up playing in tiny French Lick. Whatever his dreams, they seemed too far away to be seen clearly. He didn't became that was possible.

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clearly. He didn't know what was possible. Wrinkles were carved into him before he could grow up. The American Dream of every boy Bird knew was to play for Bobby Knight at Indiana University, but on his 24th day of college Bird ran away, overwheimed by the campus. Knight didn't feel the need to call him back. At home, Bird's father committed suicide. Neighbors regarded Bird a failure. He was 18 years old, 6 feet 9 inches (2.06 meters) tall, engaged to he married, painting fences and collecting garbage for the French Lick street department. He said he loved that job.

T HE NBA of that time, when Bird was standing on the back of a garbage truck, was as immature as baseball prior to Babe Ruth, or American football decades before its Super Bowl. The NBA lacked the self-respect to cultivate legends. "Bullet" Bob Pettit retired from the St. Louis Hawks in the early 1960s and remains the fifth-highest scorer in league history, with an average of 26.4 points a game. He should be his game's Stan Musial. The Lakers' Elgin Baylor, at 27.4 points, is the No. 3 all-time scorer. Yet they and their basketball peers are disregarded in the American

passion of remembering its sports legends.

"Anyone who ever saw him play will tell you that, until this other guy (Michael Jordan) came along. there was never anyone any better than Oscar Robert-son," claimed Hubie Brown, the former coach, a few months ago. But who ever saw Oscar Robertson play? He played in the winter in Cincinnati to a hackdrop of empty seats. The game he played was beholden to the tallest, often the gawkiest players on the floor. He didn't win a championship until the end of his career, in 1970-71, when he became the teammate of Kareem Abdul-Jabbar in Milwaukee. The public didn't begin to relate to professional basketball until 1979, when Bird and his collegiate rival, Earvin (Magic) Johnson,

Almost half of the 22 teams were losing money. Its championship series was relegated to late-night televi-sion, tape-delayed like some kind of bowling show; its flagship Celtics, who had won 11 championships in 13 years with Russell and another two with his ultimate he walked away.

greatest turnaround in history.

It is fashionable to say that Bird could not run or jump, hut that is because he aged before us. Over the first half of his career, his game was all running and jumping. He suffered only in comparison with Julius Erving, who hovered as if winged, while Bird's leaping resembled somebody running of a diving board.

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We recall now Bird having to pull up with the ball, unable to beat the defense downcourt on the fast break, and that fulfills our perceptions of him overcoming the deficiencies of a white man playing a black man's game. But in his 20s. Rivel pulled the force and all the fact that the fact man's game. But in his 20s, Bird pulled up for no one. He could stay airborne long enough so that opponents didn't know whether he was planning to shoot or pass. He shot with either hand, and be passed to tearunate

HERE were many great scorers before Bird, and I that was the league's problem. There are many great passers in his wake, and that is its hope. He and Johnson each integrated their teammates like five fingers on one hand. They made certain that everyone on the team was reaching his potential, because winning was more important than anything. For all of his scoring and athletic outrageousness, Michael Jordan

was not considered great until he won a champion-ship. That is the Bird-Magic legacy.

During his run of three straight Most Valuable Player awards through 1986, a streak matched only hy Russell and Wilt Chamberlain, Bird was routinely called the greatest player in history. It was never so controversial a title. As a minority in a black man's game, Bird was given credit for intelligence and heart—a code that implicitly criticizes blacks for being nothing more than "natural athletes." As such, Bird was an icon amid n debate that swirled around him, but rarely touched him personally.

If you never had heard of Larry Bird prior to the Olympics last month, you would have seen this 35year-old player, laying on his stomach, stretching his ravaged back; alone among all the Dream Teamers, he did not present himself as an obvious choice to represent the United States in Barcelona. But that is not what baskerball is about anymore. The game, like all the others now, cultivates its legends. When Bird broke up a pass in Barcelona, it revived memories of his steal of Isiah Thomas' inbounds pass in the NBA playoffs — and his own resulting pass in the MAR
Johnson for the winning basket in the final seconds.

When Bird zipped the ball into the hands of a teammate he could not possibly have seen, it recalled the
thousands of plays be had created over the years. signatures that cannot be duplicated.

When he looked down at his feet, behind the threepoint line, and then inclined his head toward the basket, I was reminded of a playoff game in Milwaukee years ago. The Bucks had given the Celtics a hard time, but Bird's shooting had finished them off. Now only a few seconds remained, and the ball found him. For once, be didn't know what to do with it. He was going to pass it - no, he held back. He looked at the three-point line at his feet. Visibly, he shrugged, and shot the ball. It went in then, the buzzer sounded, and

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THIS CRAZY THING CALLED LOVE: The Golden World and "Fatal Marriage of Ann and Billy Woodward

By Susan Braudy. Illustrated. 484 pages. \$25. Alfred A. Knopf Inc., 201 East 50th Street, New York, New York 10022.

Reviewed by · Christopher Lehmann-Haupt

A LTHOUGH the press coverage was sensational when Ann Woodward shot her wealthy socialise husband, William (Billy) Woodward Jr., early in the morning of Oct. 30, 1955, the case is probably best known through two novels, "Answered Prayers," by Truman Capote, and "The Two Mrs. Grenvilles," by Dominick Dunne, both of which argue that what a grand jury judged to be an accident

was actually a premeditated murder. So it comes as something of a surprise that in the introduction to Susan Braudy's dramatic history of the Woodward marriage, she announces at once that while she "set out to prove Capote's fiction had foundation in fact," she "came to see that Ann Woodward was innocent of the murder of her husband, Billy, and that Capote had invented

Ann's motive for murder. As Braudy sees it, Mrs. Woodward's accidental shooting of her husband was the product not only of marital but also

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class relations, the blossoming of a poithe past. Ann Woodward was born poor, the daughter of an admirably scrappy woman from Kansas who refused to settle for the role of a farmer's wife.

Angeline Wright Crowell, as she was a modeling job in New York City and ended up winning the prize of Billy Woodward, the somewhat feekless hear

an enough not to object to his son's marrying a woman be himself had invited to Aqueduct race track to see his thoroughbreds race. But his mother, Elsic, an impeccably hred aristocrat, believed that the poor were different from the people she respected, and so regarded Ann as lacking "class."

"One look and I knew the whole story," she would tell friends years later. She never accepted Ann. And when the whole story reached its catastrophic climax. Braudy believes, Elsie cleverly manipulated events so that Ann was per-

ceived to be guilty of murder.

Braudy insists that there were none of the scandals in Ann Woodward's background that Capote suggested; no previous husband, no secret children, no career as a prostitute. There was nothing to hide except a father who was still alive instead of the deceased colonel she had laid claim to, a streetcar-conductor living in Michigan who believed that his daugh-ter had gone to Hollywood and become staff of The New York Times.

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the actress Eve Arden, whose movies he By Alan Truscott sources plant whose seed was sewn deep in watched with pathetic pride. Contrary to what many people be-

lieved, there actually was a prowler in the area of the Woodward home, Braudy reports. And as that prowler later con-fessed, he had walked across the roof of n's bearoom fust moments before she fired her shots into the dark that killed her husband. Besides, there was no profit in her murdering him, Braudy concludes. to the Hanover banking fortune.

But Billy's family did not approve. His, emotionally distant father was Edwardi-Ann Woodward would have been far better off financially with Billy alive.

The question remains: Is this well-told tale worth telling? The glamour of the rich that it evokes in such detail soon decomposes. There is little tragic weight to their story. All the same, the story has its compen-

sations along with its revulsions. Ann Woodward lived on for two more decades, moving desperately from one golden playground to another and never finding peace as she aged. Her eventual suicide in 1975 was probably as mysterious in its causes as any suicide; no single event or person can be blamed.

Still, her death coincided almost pre-cisely with Esquire's publication of an excerpt from Capote's "Answered Pray-ers," a resurfacing of her story she was clearly dreading. So if there are scales of justice somewhere, then Brandy's harrowing history serves to even the balance.

Christopher Lehmann-Haupt is on the

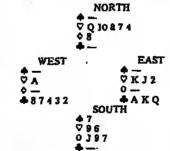
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N an expert game in a San Francisco . club for a high stake, South overbid in continuing to six diamonds. But he escaped the fate that was his due because West made a poor decision in selecting an opening lead. He routinely led his partner's cinb suit, which proved to be a double disaster. It gave the declarer a ruff and sluff, which was not unlikely in the light of the bidding, and prepared the BEETLE BAILEY ground for a repeat performance.

South took the ruff in the dummy, throwing a heart loser from his hand, and drew trumps. He then cas_d three spade winners and ruffed a spade to reach this



West was now set up for the kill. A heart lead forced him to win and give another ruff-and-sluff. South ruffed in dummy, discarded his last heart and NORTH

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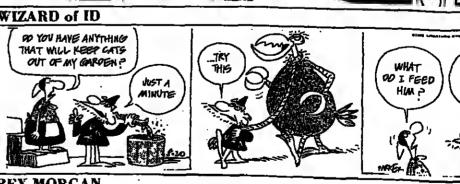


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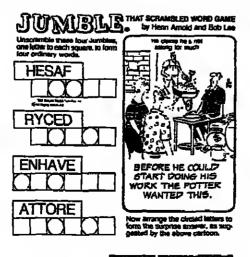




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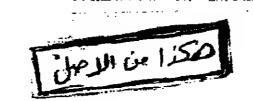
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shutout as the Reds won the opener Astros 7, Cardinals 6: Pinch-hitter Ernest Riles singled in the rying run and Craig Biggio followed with

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"He was ahead in the count, and

when you do that you make hitters hit your pitch." Padres manager Greg Riddoch said. Tomlin probably should have

known he was in for a good month after he was 0-3 with a 5.45 earned-rum average in July.

He was 4-0 in April, then slipped to 1-3 with a 7.33 ERA in May. He

was 5-1 with a 2.22 ERA in June. only to go winless in July. This month, he's 2-0 with a 1.80 ERA.

and the Pirates have won all four of

Braves 5, Expos 1: Charlie Lei-brandi pitched a four-hitter as Ai-

some good pitches.

Cubs 4, Giants 1: Mike Aturgan scattered 11 hits and Andre Daw-soo hit his 17th homer as Chicago

beat the Giants in San Francisco. Dodgers 4, Mets 0: 10 Los Angeles, rookie Pedro Astacio outdueled

SPORTS BASEBALL.

Toronto Romp Ends Brewers' Sweep Talk

MILWAUKEE - The Milwaukee Brewers' hopes for a sweep of first-place Toronto and a quick rise to the top of the American League East race were swept away in the first inning.

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"We not only showed them we can play but we showed everybody. We have to get it going," said left-hander Jimmy Key, who benefited from a five-run first inning Tues-

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day night as the Blue Jnys routed the Brewers 12-I.

"This is going to be a big series," Key added. "We knew they wanted to sweep us and get back in it." Instead, the Brewers fell 6½ games behind the Blue Jays, who now lead second-place Baltimore

"It's one loss, that's all it is," said Milwaukee manager Phil Garner. "it's the first game of a three-game v series. We've bounced back before."

But with an offense that has been limited to just one run or less in seven of their last eight games, the Brewers must find a way to break out against a Toronto lineup that is one of baseball's best.

"It was a very good way to lead off the series. It was a good way to get everyone loosened up," said

Nike Severs Ties To Krabbe Over Failed Drug Test

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches BONN — Reuter Nike said Wednesday it had canceled its sponsorhip deal with doohle world sprint champion Katrin Krahbe and her German teammate, Grit

Breuer, for failing a drugs test.
The sprinters face a four-year ban from competition after tests last -month showed they had taken the

"muscle-building drug Clenbuterol.
"We do not want to encourage -doping abuse and therefore immediately terminate all contracts with sportsmen and women who are proved to have committed doping offenses," Nike director Steve Miller said.

The company did not say what the deals with the two athletes, who. come from the former East Germa-

view published Wednesday by the magazine Super Illn that the ath-letes did oot know that Ckenbuterol was on the list of banned drugs. Nike also has canceled its contract with Thomas Springstein, the ing them the drug. (Reuters, AP)

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double in the first off Bruce Ruffin.

Ruffin gave up five hits and five runs in one-third of an inning, the second time this season he's failed to make it past the first.

In the first, Devon White singled, Roberto Alomar walked and Joe Carter singled to short to load the bases. Winfield, who had five runs batted in in the Blue Jays' last game, then hit his bases-loaded double to right-center to make it 3-0. John Olerud singled in Winfield and a single by Kelly Gruber fin-ished Ruffin.

Pat Borders later hit a sacrifice. fly off reliever Ricky Bones to make it 5-0 and Olerud hit his 12th homer in the third to give the Blue Jays a six-run cushion.

Mariners 8, Orioles 3: Rookie Dave Fleming won his 14th game and Jay Buhner and Ken Griffey Jr. homered as Seattle downed the slumping Orioles in Baltimore

Yankees 7, Athletics 3: Right fielder Mel Hall made a diving catch on Carney Lansford's sinking liner with the bases loaded and two onts in the eighth imming Tuesday night, preserving the Yankees' vic-tory in New York.

Indians 8, Twins 1: In Cleveland, catcher Junior Ortiz got the better of two home-plate collisions as Cleveland twice cut down the potential tying run in the sixth inning and went on to beat Minnesota.

Trailing 2-1 in the sixth, Minnesota hit two doubles and a single off Jose Mesa without scoring a run. Cleveland then put the game away in the bottom of the sixth when two runs scored on shortstop Greg Gagne's fielding error and another on Ortiz's single.

Red Sox 8, Angels 0: Roger Clemens pitched a four-hitter for his 34th career shutout and took over the American League strikeout lead as Boston, playing at home, beat California.

Clemens struck out eight for a season total of 164, moving him past New York's Melido Perez into

Sox beat Texas in Chicago. McDowell joined Brown as the top winners in the American League, with 16, by pitchingthis Krabbe, the 100 and 200 meter first shuton of the season and his major league-leading 10th commajor league-leading 10th com- al

> Tigers 5, Royals 1: In Kansas City, Cecil Fielder had three hits and two runs batted in, giving him 103 this year, and Eric King won for the first time since May 3 as Detroit won for the ninth time in II

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Dave Winfield beating a throw at home to score in a five-run first inning that kicked off Toronto's rout of the Brewers in Milwankee.

How La Russa Manages to Keep the A's on Top

By Claire Smith

New York Times Service NEW YORK - Martin, Weaver, Howser, Mauch, you name them, Goose Gossage has played for them or against them. But never before, says the pitcher, has he played for a manager quite like Tony La Russa, whose Oakland Athletics are leading the American

"He's by far one of the best I've ever seen or played for," Gossage said Tnesday.

La Russa oever pats himself on the back, and he turns all such talk back in the direc-tion of the players who have played a part in building the five-game lead the A's enjoy.

But just as La Russa has not always got the winning votes in those manager-of-the-year contests, he gets no vote here for his ootion that his players have done it all and that he is merely along for the tide. And if La Russa's players have a thing to say about it, La Russa will run away not only with the straw vote taken on any given day in their clubhouse but also with the polls that give official awards at the end of the season.

La Russa, penalized in the past for merely managing great teams to even greater feats, has often lost out to managers who oversaw tremendous turnarounds. But this year is different, Even though La Russa is not scripting one of those Hollywood "worst to first" scenarios, he has had his adversity. He has had to cross-check the disabled list with his roster on a daily basis to see who's healthy enough to play,

Right now, Gossage and Bob Welch, both disabled, are not. Jose Canseco is ailing, as is Terry Steinbach. "For us, that's healthy," said La Russa, whose team has used the disabled list a club-record 20 times this year.

Throw into that mix such strong personalities as Rickey Henderson and Canseco, such thorny issues as the pending free agency of Dave Stewart, and the age factor of regulars such as the 37-year-old Willie Wilson and the 35-year-old Carney Lansford, and it is easy to see why La Russa has had to adapt.

It is also easy for his players to see that he have," he said. "This has had a lot to do with

has done what has been needed, resulting in Oakland's very real threat to shock the defending World Series champion Minnesota Twins this season by winning the Western Division for the fourth time in the last five years under La Russa.

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"No doubt he's been challenged this year, to say the least," the shortstop Walt Weiss said. "It seems that since 1988, for one reason or another, we've been hit with so many injuries and it seems we've done the job playing through those injuries. I think that's a reflection of the manager, Guys step into this atmosphere and do the job because they know the contract of the manager. they're expected to, know that we're expected to win. That's the tone that Tony sets."

Sometimes, said Stewart, when a player looks at what the injuries have wrought it is easy to wonder if it's possible to persevere. But then Stewart looks at La Russa and sees only one thing: confidence.

La Russa will argue that his is the easy job because it involves oothing physical or tax-ing. "I've done the same thing I always

But the players who have known him the

longest will have none if it.
"What he does goes far beyond the ball
park," Stewart said. "To him, it's a 20-houra-day job, he prepares that intensely. He'll play the hunches, play the gut feeling. He's a two-run single in a four-run sevgot the knack of putting the right player in at the right spot at the right time."

enth inning as visiting Houston overcame a season-high three home

fidence in a starter no longer given to pitching complete games, resting a bullpen no longer used to having too many days off. That, says Stewart, is the sign of a manager who refuses to make the obvious move for the obvious reason: to avoid being second-

And while it is one talent to handle injuries, it is another to deal with the personalities. "Tony knows when to pat a guy on the back," said Gossage, and "he knows when to kick a guy in the rear."

When a game sometimes cries out for a Dennis Eckersley finish, La Russa will instead let a Ron Darling finish, as be did recently against the White Sox, building conruns by St. Louis,

Connors, Back in Form,

To Stretch Lead

PITTSBURGH - Just like al-

PITTSBURGH — Just like al-ways, the San Diego Padres' hip parade of Tony Gwynn, Gary Shef-field and company got their hits. But it is Randy Tomlin's month, so nearly everything went right for the Pittsburgh Pirates' left-hander, whose success depends not just on his curveball but the calendar.

Tomlin gave up seven hits in eight innings but the Padres

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couldn't translate their singles into scoring, leaving nine runners on base. The Pirates made judicious use of their six hits to beat San

Diego 5-1 Tuesday night and raise their National League East lead to three games over Montreal, which lost to Atlanta.

"We had a good, solid game to beat a good, solid team," Pirates

mnnager Jim Leyland said. "They're going to hit, but you can

major league strikeout leader Dnvid Cone for his second shutout in only four career starts, and Brett Butler scored three runs as the Dodgers beat New York. It was the second straight shutout for the Dodgers, who got a no-hitter from Kevin Gross on Monday.

White Sox 3, Rangers & Jack McDowell outdueled Kevin Brown by pitching a six-hitter as the White ANC Endorses Rugby, With a Warning to Fans

-- By William Claiborne ...

international rugby competition in South Africa Wednesday, saying it will allow a match between South Africa and Australia to be

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played in Cape Town on Saturday. The ANC said it believed rugby can be a point of reconciliation between whites and blacks. But it added that "the future of South African rugby will be decided by all those who consider the anthem a symbol of repression.

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participate" in Saturday's match, and that if -JOHANNESBURG — The African National al Congress backed off from its threat to end

The ANC appeared to have left itself vulnerable to a possible demonstration of defiance on Saturday by white rugby fans. They have already been urged by the Conservative Party to sing the national anthem as a gesture of protest against government negotiations with the con-gress and other black nationalist groups, which

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PHILADELPHIA—Signed Armon Gilliam, forward, to contract extension.

PHOENIX—Signed Tim Kempton, center, to 2-year contract.

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FOOTBALL

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DENVER—Wolved Steve Pelluer, quarterbock; Mark Nurray, linebacker; Vermon Jones,
wide receiver; Scatty Reagon, detensive lineman, and Poscholl Davis, detensive back.
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Ruettgers, offensive tackle, on I-very coniract, Walved Walter Dean, folloock; Chris
williams, nose backle; and Lixey Collins and
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On Monday, the ANC threatened to reimpose a boycott on international rugby matches here because a virtually all-white crowd of 72,000 at a game last Saturday sang South Africa's anthem when they were asked to observe a minute of silence for the country's victims of violence. Steve Tshwete, the ANC's sports minister, said

the congress had received assurances from the South African Rugby Rootball Union, which regulates the sport, that the South African flag will "not be hoisted" on Saturday, that there will be no singing of the anthem and that there will be a minute of silence for victims of violence.

Connors labored through his tournaments this year.

to rethink retirement.

Connors says be is refreshed and eager for top-level competition, in-cluding the U.S. Open, which be-gins Ang. 31 at the National Tennis Center in New York

In the first round of the U.S. Hardcourts Tuesday night, the ca-gey veteran showed off his new-found enthusiasm by dispensing of wild-card David Dilucia 6-1, 6-2 in

just over an hour. "I had to get away from it," Con-nors said of his time off. "I had pushed myself for a year and a half, just day after day," be said, adding, I guess that's the first time I've been close to burnout

Gears Up for U.S. Open "I did some things I wanted to

before his 40th birthday, Jimmy Con-nors says he has fallen back in love with professional tennis - again. After his 1991 tennis rebirth, which culminated in an improbable run to the U.S. Open semifinals,

First-round exits at the French Open and Wimhledon caused him

But after taking a couple months off from the regular men's tour, time with my family. Then I played Teamtennis and had an enjoyable time there. Teamtennis was better for my attitude than anything."

Connors, seeded 11th in Indianapolis, was brilliant against DiLucia, battering his 22-year-old oppo-ocot with lioc-teasing groundstrokes, high-arching lobs and pinpoint passing sbots.

Intimidation also might have been a factor. "I think I got a little hit anxious maybe," DiLucia said. "I was a

little nervous." The lournament's lop eight seeds, including world Nn. 1 Jim Courier, received first-round byes Two seeds were knocked off. though. Tenth-seeded Alberto Mancini of Argentina fell to Tomas Carbonell of Spain 6-1, 6-4, while No. 15 Stefano Pescosolido was up-

ended by Todd Witsken 7-5, 6-3. No. 9 Javier Sanchez led Leonardo Lavalle 4-1 in the first set when Lavalle retired with a foot infection. No. 13 David Wheaton recovered from an error-filled first set to defeat Rodolphe Gilbert of France 2-6, 6-2, 6-4

McEnroe Makes Davis Cup After Slamming Officials

NEW HAVEN, Connecticut - After blasting U.S. Davis Cup officials for not naming him to the team, John McEnroe learned Wednesday that Davis Cup captain Tom Gorman had him penned in for doubles play all along.

"John had some questions, we've talked and they've been resolved." Gorman said from Sun Valley, Idaho, where he was vacationing. McEnroe had complained that he was growing weary of awaiting worth "I've been doing this 15 years. If they've decided to go another way, they should tell me. And if I'm as important a part of the team as they say I am, they should name me to the team." McEnroe said after winning his first-round match at the Volvo International here on Tuesday.

Gorman said it was simply a case of crossed signals. He said the confusion stemmed from a July 30 news release that said Jim Courier and Andre Agassi were on the U.S. team and the doubles team would be named later. Gorman said it was always his intention to pick McEnroe. The final member of the team will come from a field of Pete Sampras, Rick Leach and one or two other players, Gorman said. The U.S. team will play Sweden in the Davis Cup semifinals in Minneapolis Sept. 25-27. McEnroe downed Sweden's Jan Appel 6-1, 7-5 in his match. Organizers of the Volvo tournament canceled Wednesday's day matches, however,

after rain caused problems with the surface of the stadium court.

TRANSACTIONS BASEBALL American League BALTIMORE—Activated Chris Holles, cotter, from 15-day disabled list. Optioned Mark Perent, catter, to Rochester, international League. BOSTDIN—Sent Tom Barreti. Infleider, outright to Powtucket, International League. Recisied Eric Wedge, catcher, from Powtucket. MILWAUKCE—Agreed to 4-year working agreement with CI Poso, Texas League. MINNESOTA—Put Pout Abbatt, Picher, on 15-day disabled list. Recalled Milks Tramblery, bitcher, from Portland, Pacific Coast League. SEATTLE—Sent Jeff Schoefer, Implieder, to Calsarry, Pocific Coast League, Bought contract of Bret Boons. Infleider, from Colgary. TORONTO—Put Pat Herman, pitcher, on 3-day disabled list, retroactive to Aug. 13. Recalled Bob MacConoid, pitcher, from Syrocosts. International League. mother's house.

SIDELINES

Scherbo Is Robbed, but Keeps Gold

MOSCOW (UPI) — Gymnast Vitaly Scherbo, who won n record haul of six gold medals at the Barcelona Olympic Games competing for the Unified Team, has been robbed of more than \$20,000 after thieves ransacked his apartment in the Belarus capital Minsk. However, Scherbo's prized medals, the largest haul by a gymnast in

Olympic history, remained safe after he had earlier taken them to his The Russian military daily Red Star said Wednesday that thieves entered Scherbo's flat while he was out and stole more than \$20,000 in

A number of athletes in the former Soviet Union have been robbed ce the Games, partly because it is difficult to open a foreign currency bank account and most tend to keep prize money at home. Kenyan Sets Steeplechase Record

cash, as well as audio and video equipment and jewelry.

ZURICH (Reuters) — Moses Kiptanui of Kenya set a world record of 8 minntes, 2.08 seconds to win the 3,000 meter steeplechase at the Zurich Grand Prix international athletics meeting Wednesday. The previous record of 8:05.35 was set by Peter Koech of Kenya in

University of Miami Players Indicted MIAMI (AP) — A federal grand jury indicted Miami Hurricanes flanker Lamar Thomas and reserve fullback Jason Marucci for fraudulently obtaining federal financial aid, prosecutors said.

Both players were charged in a fraud investigation started more than a year ago at the University of Miami, last year's national champion, involving Pell grants, a form of federal financial aid for needy students. The indictment said Thomas received about \$2,300 in Pell grant money

and Marucci wrongfully obtained approximately \$4,550. Pakistan Says Charges Aren't Cricket London (Reuters) — Pakistan's cricketers touring England are plan-

ning to sue n number of British newspapers for saying they cheated.

"The tour management and the players have been reluctantly forced to take this action to set the record straight and repair the damage done to the integrity and reputation of the individual players concerned." Pakistan Cricket Board secretary Shahid Rafi said Wednesday.

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•Fny Vincent on speculation that he won't seek another term as commissioner of major league baseball: "I haven't said that, but do you think somebody in my position would do this again?"

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Rating Family Values

ARTHA'S VINEYARD, 10ld him it was about time he got a Massachusetts—I am grate- job and stopped mooching off his ful to both George Bush and Dan Quayle for having raised the issue of "family values." It is the one that must be addressed before we deal with unemployment. Summer is the best time to examine how we're dring with our family values, and there is no better place to study them than on the law-abiding, God fearing island of Martha's Vinevard.

The first family I called on was the Avocados, f had to wait to talk

to them because they were having dining room. It seems that Lilly Avocado, the elmether of favoring her younger sister Selma ever since childhood days, and that is Buchwald

why Lilly had never made it as an Olympic gymnastic star. Branch, the Avocado son, told Lifty she blamed everyone for her troubles but herself. Lilly's mother said she was sorry she came to the Vineyard and was not coming back to be abused by her children. Selma accused Branch's wife of excessive drinking. Everyone got up from the table, slammed a door and went to a different part of the house. Had i

My next stop was the Sharknests. They were sitting on the porch, lips pursed, staring out on the pond. Do you believe in family values." I asked Carl.

found the typical American family?

"We do," said Carl Sharknest, "but our children don't. We've Hatfield to show up. He promised to be here on Thursday. Why didn't he call you?"

"He's not talking to me because I tions."

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"Maybe he felt he wouldn't be

weicome." "In our family everyone is welcome to the Vineyard no matter how screwed up they are. This includes my daughter who left her children with us and went off to Vermont with her new boyfriend."

"Why did she do that?" "Because her ex-husband was supposed to take them for two weeks, but be changed his mind at the last moment so he could go

windsurfing in Aruba."
"Where should I rate you people in regards to the family values?" Sharknest said, "List us between Murphy Brown and Princess Di and Prince Charles.

I found a couple to match the Sharknests.

It was Tommy and Tina Teabag. They said they were going to vote the straight Bush-Quayle ticket. 'We admire the president's and vice president's nuclear families." Tommy said.

"They aren't talking about their families — they are talking about yours. You do have a good family. don't you?"

"Don't ask Tommy," Tina said. "He wouldn't recognize a family unless it had a 12 golf handicap or jumped in his boat while he was

trolling for bluefish."
I said, "What I believe Bush and Quayle have in mind is a loving mother and father and children who will never take the family car unless they have permission."
Teahag said, "Have you found

anyone like that on Martha's Vine-"So far, no. But my next stop is

been waiting for days for our son the ferry standby line. Families without reservations to get on the hoat tend to stick together more than those with confirmed reserva-

Mixed Reaction for Sellars

VIENNA — The Olivier Messtaen opera heralded as the main event of the Salzburg Festival drew a duel of "Brayos" and "Boos" for the director, Peter Sellars, but net make for the Los Angeles Philhariconic at its Salzburg debut.

Messiaen, the French composer who died last April, envisaged his only opera, "St. Francis of Assisi," as a deep statement of his musical and religious beliefs.

The opera — four and a half hours of music with another hour

But it has not been produced as an opera since because of the rhythmic complexity of the score and the large

orchestra and choir required. Salzburg's new artistic director, Gerard Mortier, summoned Sellars to direct the production, Sellars, 34, has made his mark with controversial Mozart productions set in mod-em-day Harlem and the contemporary operas "Nixon in China" and "The Death of Klinghoffer."

In his Salzburg Messiaen, Sellars again uses 20th-century devices notably 40 video screens and a giand a half of intermissions - was ant cross in neon lights - to bring widely hailed as a 20th-century mas-terpiece at its 1983 premiere in Paris. Francis's 13th-century saga.

Ellis Island: America's Portal of Dreams

By Gay Talese

NEW YORK — Within The Great Hail of Ellis Island one night earlier this month, the sparkling burgundy flowed abundantly, the aroma of Italian cuisine beckoned from the buffet tables, and, with the call to dinner, the festive crowd began to move through the lines with none of the anxiety known to many of their immigrant ances-tors who passed through this same hall, without food or fanfare, several decades ago.

Back then, beginning in 1892 and continuing until 1954, an uncertain hospitality confronted the newly arrived boat passengers who stood waiting to be interrogated by immigration agents and examined by doctors — and possibly rejected for some perceived flaw in their health, or their politics, or their character.

But on this evening, the only immigrants under scrutiny were those depicted on the walls of Ellis Island's new photo exhibition, which was the reason for this social gathering: to celebrate the struggles and achievements of the largest single ethnic group that had ever been processed through here — the Italians.

Descending from the thousands who began arriving before the turn of the century — most of them from Italy's impoverished south, where the dialects of the peasants bespoke such pessimism as to lack a future tense — there are now more than 20 million U. S. citizens with historical ties to Italy, a tenth of the U.S. population.

And while the 200-picture exhibition draws its luster from the famous faces of some of the immigrants' offspring — with such surnames as La Guardia and Sinatra, DiMaggio and Cuomo, Ferraro and Iacocca — it suggests its strength through the portraits of the unheralded men and women who were Italy's early "boat people," the risk-takers who endured the hardships, the insults and the reversals understood by all desperate travelers from all foreign countries who have ever aspired to follow in the course of the Mayflower.

"But I don't see much fear in the eyes of these early Italians," said one of the exhibition's hosts, the cultural historian Allon Schoener, directing the attention of a few of his guests before dinner to a photo of a young America-bound father who, while holding his child in his arms prior to boarding the ship in 1894, faces the camera unflinching-

"These people were leaving a very hard life in Italy," Schoener continued, "and they were coming here with real strengths, and it's there in their eyes. They're looking at the New World without being terrified by it. They're not terrified by what they're going to find here. And yet what a transformation it must have been, coming, say, from a small village to New York! What

culture shock!

"But as I say, these people were tough. Tough is maybe not the right word. Strong is better. Strong people made strong by the work they did in Italy. And strong in terms of their personal family structure that was their founda-

The display of photographs, "Italian-Americans: Per-terre Assai Lontani (A Long Way From Home)," will be at the Fliis Island Immigration Museum through Sept. 7. i: has many of the same pictures featured in an illustrated volume entitled "The Italian Americans" that Schoener edited in 1987 for Macmillan and was later reprinted by

Like the book, the exhibition lends visual testimony to the misery of 19th-century Italy that prompted so many ftalians to abandon their country, if indeed most of them regarded it as their country.

The northern Italian politicians and their red-shirted militia who in the 1860s conquered the south in the name of unification did so without the blessing of the pope and



A family in Genos, about to embark for the United States in 1894.

his multitudes of faithful village-dwellers whose view of the larger world rarely exceeded the size of their parishes, and whose loyalty (except to saints) was usually restricted

And yet within such an insular and socially backward cople in the late 19th century, there arose the conviction earth might indeed exist even if it was not part of their vocabulary. that they could change their own lives, and that a future on

Such people are well represented in the opening section of the Ellis Island exhibition - country people by and large, mostly from the south but with representatives from the north as well, not the least being the Giannini family from Genoa. A son in this family in San Francisco would found the Bank of America.

California would also lure several northern Italian winemakers and fishermen, the latter being joined in time by a Sicilian fishing family named DiMaggio.

What connects so many of these photographs that are arranged within a kind of maze down a flight of steps from the Great Hall - all the photos are black and white except for a few that are sepia, and none are larger than 30 by 40 inches (75 by 100 centimeters) — is their almost obsessive involvement with people at work.

Digging, plastering, hammering, ironing, sewing, hauling rocks, chiseling chunks of marble—the people caude energy, rarely are idle. Here are Italian stone craftsmen in 1894 embel-

lishing the stucco that will adorn the Library of Congress Building; here in 1896, on West 48th Street in Manhattan, stands a bowler-hatted organ grinder accompanied by his wife, the family banker, who holds a tin cup; here bearing his suitcase on his shoulder toward Rutland, Vermont, in 1900, is an avuncular figure wearing a jacket, a vest and a tie with a white shirt -dressed for success.

There is a photo of an Italian barge worker helping to enlarge the Erie Canal in 1912. There are pick-and-shovel workers in 1925 excavating the land for St. Mary's Park in San Francisco. There are crane operators in a Chicago rail yard in

And here are women, too, not only sewing in sweatshops and toiling in tenement kitchens, but sweatshops and usually in calculate the strolling as well along city aidewalks with bundles of factory garments piled on their heads and shoulders — as, in the old country, with the balance of ballerinas, they had learned to convey stacks of wood and clay pots tilled with water along hilly roads that the Romans had built pri-marily for goats.

The abusive use of child labor, though justified by families needing the extra income, is also communicated with pathetic reality in this exhibi-

Shown are the soot-covered faces of young boys employed in a Pennsylvania coal mine; an adoles-cent girl picking berries on a farm in Delaware; an old male textile worker, dressed in overalls and a cap, posing with other young workers in Lawrence, Massachusetts — a town in which several Italian workers in 1912 would participate

in bitter protests against management.

A year later, in New York's Union Square, a demonstration of Jewish and Italian garment workers are shown waving strikers' placards in Yiddish and Italian.

Parades and processions, sidewalk scenes worthy of Fellini, arias intoned from fire escapes—these lighter moments in the lives of immigrants are also suggested in these photographs, which, after the Ellis Island show closes, will move on to Detroit, San Francisco and other U.S. cities.

The national tour is being coordinated by the National Italian American Foundation, with beadquarters in Washington. But the exhibition itself, in which Schoener assisted with the selections - and which is supported financially by the Alfa-Romeo distributors of North America — was organized initially by the Fratelli Alinari Museum of Photography in Florence, where the exhibition was shown last year, in addition to appearing in the northern Italian city of Udine and in Palermo, Sicily.

Although the crowd attending the recent party at Ellis Island consisted mainly of Italian-Americans, other ethnic groups were also represented on the guest list, several of whom referred to having parents and grandparents who had entered here as immigrants.

One of the guests, before boarding the party boat back to Manhattan, paused in the island's luggage room and spent several moments gazing up at the stacks of suitcases, trunks, sacks and wicker baskets that had once been the property of immigrants.

My Jewish grandmother from Russia always told us that she'd lost her luggage at Ellis Island," the man explained, adding: "Well, here It is."

Gay Talese's most recent book is "Unto the Sons" (Alfred A. Knopf), which explores the history of Italian immigration.

He wrote this for The New York Times,

PEOPLE

Director Valdez Shelves Film on Frida Kahlo

Luis Valdez says he's shelving his latest film project because of crincism of the casting of a non-Hispanic actress - Laura San Giacomo - in the role of the Mexican artist Frida Kahlo. Valdez said that to suggest that f have been some how selling Latinos short is to completely distort the situation." Rank Julia, who is Hispanic, had been cast to play the artist Diego Rivera, Kahlo's husband. San Giacomo appeared in "sex, lies and videotape."

Kevin Costner is about to start a new movie in which he will play the Irish civil war hero Michael Collins. Costner has arrived in Ireland with his family to prepare for the film. Liam Collins, a nephew of Michael Collins, who was slain in 1922, said: "I dread the thought of Hollywood getting their hands on him. But I would be impressed by Costner. He has a good name. I would hope he would base the film on fact."

A forensic scientist hopes radar will help solve a 19th-century mystery: whether the explorer iwether Lewis was murdered or committed suicide. Lewis, who explored the Pacific Northwest with William Clark, died in 1809 at an inn in Tennessee. Newspaper reports at the time said he shot himself, but some believe that bandits or his ser-vant killed him. James Starrs, a forensic scientist and professor at George Washington University. plans to scan Lewis's grave. "If I find a bone indicating a shot was fired from behind, it was not suicide," he said.

Bob Marley was a savvy business-man who differed greatly from his man who differed greatly from his public image as a manijuana-smoking, girl-chasing reggae musician, his longime manager says. Don Taylor will set the record straight in a biography to be published in 1993 by Kingston Publishers. Taylor says Marley was "a very intelligent, smart, savvy businessman," who was keeply swape of his finances and was keenly aware of his finances and carned more than \$75 million before his death in 1984 at age 36.

The Spanish soprano Montserrat Caballé on Wednesday canceled a concert in Rimini, Italy, citing a sudden illness. Organizers said she called from London 10 say she was flying home for treatment, .

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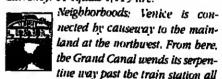
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the way to the Piazza San Marco, with its magnificent Doges' Palace, the Cathedral of St. Mark and the Campanile. Venice is divided iuto six sections. Cannaregio includes the train station and many botels: to the south and east is San Marco, the city center. The Castello section is to the east, while on the other side of the Grand Canal are San Polo and Santa Croce.

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